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1                   [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON  
2                   TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2010 BEGINS ON PAGE 140.]

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6   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS  
7 MORNING'S MEETING BY OUR INVOCATION, WILL BE LED BY SENIOR  
8 PASTOR ARNOLD DOI OF THE NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, AND OUR  
9 PLEDGE THIS MORNING WILL BE LED BY DENISE R. MARTIN, WHO IS A  
10 MEMBER OF THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS. WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE  
11 STAND? PASTOR?

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13 **PASTOR ARNOLD DOI:** YES PLEASE JOIN WITH ME AS I PRAY. IN  
14 GRATITUDE FOR YOUR MANY BLESSINGS, DEAR GOD, WE COME BEFORE  
15 YOU NOW TO ASK FOR YOUR WISDOM AND GUIDANCE. WE ASK YOUR  
16 SPIRIT OF UNDERSTANDING AND SENSIBILITY TO REST UPON THIS  
17 BOARD AS THEY DELIBERATE AND DECIDE MAJOR ISSUES AFFECTING THE  
18 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE THANK YOU FOR THEIR DEDICATED  
19 SERVICE TO YOUR PEOPLE AND FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN CHALLENGING  
20 TIMES. GRANT THEM CLARITY OF MIND AND PEACE OF SPIRIT, WE  
21 PRAY. AMEN.

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23 **DENISE R. MARTIN:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART  
24 AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
25 RECITED.]



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES AND  
5 GENTLEMEN, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF  
6 APPRECIATION TO DENISE MARTIN, WHO LIVES IN SAN PEDRO, IS A  
7 MEMBER OF THE DISABLED AMERICANS IN LONG BEACH. SHE SERVED IN  
8 THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE PROUDLY FROM 1983 TO 1992 AS A  
9 STAFF SERGEANT, IN THE 693RD ORGANIZATIONAL MAINTENANCE SQUAD.  
10 SHE RECEIVED THE AIR FORCE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, AIR FORCE GOOD  
11 CONDUCT MEDAL AND A NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. SHE  
12 CURRENTLY WORKS AS A MAIL HANDLER WITH THE UNITED STATES POST  
13 OFFICE AND HAS LIVED NO THE FOURTH DISTRICT FOR OVER 15 YEARS.  
14 SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND MY COLLEAGUES, DENISE, WE'D JUST  
15 LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF YOUR SCHEDULE TO JOIN  
16 US AND LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO  
17 AMERICA. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHAIR MEMBERS, IT'S A PLEASURE ONCE AGAIN TO  
22 WELCOME PASTOR ARNOLD DOI HERE, WHO IS PASTOR OF THE NEW LIFE  
23 CHRISTIAN CHURCH. HE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN HAWAII, WHERE HE  
24 SERVED AS A PASTOR FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, FOR OVER 30 YEARS.  
25 HE'S SERVED AS A PASTOR IN BOTH HAWAII AND CALIFORNIA





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1 CHURCHES. HE'S A GRADUATE OF FORT WAYNE BIBLE COLLEGE IN  
2 INDIANA AND HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IS FROM FULLER SEMINARY IN  
3 PASADENA. HE'S MARRIED AND HAS TWO CHILDREN AND TWO  
4 GRANDCHILDREN AND WE THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN FOR COMING DOWN AND  
5 LEADING US IN PRAYER. [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS. I'D LIKE TO  
8 ASK OR EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE  
11 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE  
12 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D  
13 THROUGH 4-D.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE ITEMS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,  
16 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,  
17 SO ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING  
20 AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H AND 2H.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
23 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
24 ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEET OF THE PUBLIC WORKS  
2 FINANCE AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-F.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,  
5 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
6 ORDERED.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK  
9 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEMS 1-P AND 2-P.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED  
12 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
13 ORDERED.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1  
16 THROUGH 12. ON ITEM NUMBER 1, THIS INCLUDES SUPERVISOR KNABE'S  
17 APPOINTMENT AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM  
18 NUMBER 2, SUPERVISOR KNABE, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND MEMBERS  
19 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER  
20 9, THERE ARE-- THERE IS A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
21 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 9. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS  
22 UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY  
2   SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF  
3   THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 13  
6   THROUGH 52. ON ITEM NUMBER 14, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS  
7   THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 17, THERE'S A REQUEST  
8   FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. 17. ON ITEM  
9   NUMBER 23, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. I  
10   APOLOGIZE. ON ITEM NUMBER 20, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER  
11   OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER-- LET'S SEE,  
12   23, NUMBER 23, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
13   HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 24, REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO  
14   HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 25, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS  
15   THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JULY 27, 2010. ITEM  
16   NUMBER 26, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO  
17   HOLD THIS ITEM. 26. ON ITEM NUMBER 27, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM  
18   A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 29,  
19   THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
20   CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY 20, 2010. ON ITEM NUMBER 30, AS  
21   INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC  
22   WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY  
23   20TH, 2010. ON ITEM NUMBER 36, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER  
24   OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 42, THERE'S A  
25   REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM





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1 NUMBER 44, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE  
2 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THE  
3 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO AUGUST  
4 10TH, 2010, AND THE SETTLEMENT BE APPROVED TODAY. AND ON ITEM  
5 NUMBER 52, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.  
6 REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY  
9 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF  
10 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 29, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION,  
13 ITEM NUMBER 53, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE  
14 RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6, SALARIES OF THE  
15 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE ADDITION, DELETION  
16 AND/OR CHANGING OF CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS NUMBER OF ORDINANCE  
17 POSITIONS IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THE FINDINGS OF  
18 CLASSIFICATION STUDIES. ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
19 REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE HELD. MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO  
20 THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF  
21 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,  
22 ITEM 54-A.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
2    SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
3    ORDERED.

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5    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 54-B.

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7    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED  
8    BY SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,  
9    SO ORDERED.

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11   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 54-C.

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13   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED  
14   BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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16   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE AGENDA. BOARD OF  
17   SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT  
18   NUMBER 1.

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20   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M GOING TO ASK SUPERVISOR KNABE TO  
21   INTRODUCE THE L.A.U.P. MOTION AND THEN WE WILL MAKE OUR  
22   PRESENTATIONS.

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24   **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
25   LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. IT'S OUR PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME FOR THE



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1 THIRD ANNUAL PRESCHOOL TEACHERS OF THE YEAR TO JOIN US UP HERE  
2 ON THE STAGE. THIS AWARD WAS CREATED BY L.A. U.P., LOS ANGELES  
3 UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL IN ORDER TO BRING ATTENTION AND FOCUS TO  
4 THE OFTEN UNSUNG HEROES AND WORK THAT PRESCHOOL TEACHERS  
5 PREPARE TO DO TO PREPARE OUR FOUR-YEAR-OLDS FOR KINDERGARTEN  
6 AND BEYOND. I'D LIKE TO THANK DR. CECILIA AYALA AND HER STAFF  
7 AT L.A.U.P. FOR THEIR HARD WORK IN PUTTING TOGETHER THIS  
8 WORTHY PROGRAM. THIS YEAR THERE ARE SIX HONOREES. THEY EACH  
9 WERE SELECTED FROM AN OUTSTANDING GROUP OF PRESCHOOL TEACHERS  
10 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. EACH IS AN OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR IN  
11 THEIR OWN RIGHT, AND I'M VERY PROUD AT THIS TIME TO  
12 ACKNOWLEDGE THE HONOREE FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT, MRS. MONA  
13 ASAD. MONA STARTED AS A VOLUNTEER AT THE Y.M.C.A. OF GREATER  
14 LONG BEACH AND SHE HAS BEEN TEACHING PRESCHOOL FOR SEVEN  
15 YEARS. SHE CURRENTLY IS THE MASTER TEACHER AT THE Y.M.C.A. AND  
16 SHE RECEIVES OVER A HUNDRED PRESCHOOLERS AT THE MAIN STREET  
17 PRESCHOOL IN BELLFLOWER, AND WE'D LIKE TO CONGRATULATE HER,  
18 BUT I JUST WOULD ADD AS WE MOVE FORWARD ON ALL THESE  
19 PRESENTATIONS, OBVIOUSLY THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF THE  
20 EDUCATION PROCESS FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, AND FOR THOSE OF US ON  
21 THIS BOARD THAT UNFORTUNATELY HAVE TO OVERSEE CAMPS AND HALLS  
22 OF JUSTICE, THIS IS A GREAT START FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE, AND  
23 WE JUST WANT TO THANK ALL OF OUR TEACHERS, AND PARTICULARLY  
24 OUR AWARDEES AS TEACHER OF THE YEAR TODAY, SO MONA?  
25 [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR MOLINA?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WELL, AS WE ALL KNOW, OUR

3 PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR PRESCHOOLS ARE VERY SIGNIFICANT PART OF

4 THE WELL BEING OF A NEIGHBORHOOD, COMMUNITY AND IN PARTICULAR

5 A FAMILY, SO WE REALLY APPRECIATE AN OPPORTUNITY TO HONOR SOME

6 OF THE WONDERFUL PEOPLE THAT CARRY OUT THIS GREAT WORK. MY

7 FIRST HONOREE IS BELEN LARA. BELEN, IF YOU'D JOIN ME. SHE IS

8 AN L.A.U.P. SITE SUPERVISOR FOR THE AZUSA DISCOVERY CENTER.

9 BELEN HAS BEEN TEACHING FOR OVER EIGHT YEARS AND SHE STRIVES

10 TO SERVE AS A ROLE MODEL FOR THE STUDENTS, HER FELLOW

11 TEACHERS, AS WELL AS THE PARENTS. SHE IS PASSIONATE ABOUT

12 PROMOTING LITERACY AND ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO READ TO THEIR

13 CHILDREN FOR 20 MINUTES EVERY SINGLE NIGHT, WHICH IS GOOD

14 ADVICE FOR EVERYBODY. SHE ALSO MAKES TEACHING FUN. FOR

15 EXAMPLE, USING THE CLASSIC DR. SEUSS BOOKS, SHE DRESSED UP

16 LIKE "CAT IN THE HAT" CHARACTER AND ALSO HELPED THE KIDS

17 ACTUALLY MAKE GREEN EGGS AND HAM. BELEN HAS A TRULY THOUGHTFUL

18 APPROACH TO TEACHING. THERE IS A QUOTE IN HER CLASSROOM

19 REFLECTIN THE CULTURE AND THE HERITAGE OF EACH CHILD AS WELL

20 AS THEIR FAMILY. SHE ALSO COORDINATES ONGOING RECYCLE PROGRAM

21 AND THE PROCEEDS ARE USED FOR THE CHILDREN TO BUY SEEDS FOR

22 THEIR GARDEN. THESE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE EXAMPLES OF BELEN'S

23 ATTRIBUTES AND WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE HER FOR THIS

24 RECOGNITION AND FOR THE OUTSTANDING WORK THAT SHE DOES.

25 CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU, BELEN. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I AM HONORED. I HAVE A SECOND AWARDEE IN

3 MY DISTRICT. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO GRACE CASTRO. GRACE

4 IS THE OWNER AND THE DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL FAMILY CHILD CARE IN

5 WHITTIER. GRACE HAS BEEN A TEACHER FOR OVER 20 YEARS AND SHE

6 FIRMLY BELIEVES THAT CHILDREN LEARN BY DOING. GRACE AND HER

7 OTHER CHILD CARE PROFESSIONALS PARTICIPATE IN L.A.U.P. MASTER

8 PLANNING PROCESS AND SHE HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS AWARDS

9 REFLECTING HER DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO NOT ONLY THE

10 REGION BUT OTHER COMMUNITIES AS WELL. AT CASTRO FAMILY

11 CHILDCARE, GRACE HOLDS MONTHLY MEETINGS TO GIVE PARENTS THE

12 OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT HEALTH AND SAFETY, DISCUSS TAKE

13 HOME ACTIVITIES AND RECEIVE VITAL INFORMATION FOR THEIR

14 CHILDREN'S EDUCATION. SHE ALSO HELPS LOCAL FAMILIES BY

15 DISTRIBUTING FOOD BASKETS THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY. GRACE

16 FOUNDED THE NONPROFIT, DIVERSIFIED CHILDREN'S NETWORK, WHICH

17 PROMOTES QUALITY AND PROFESSIONAL CHILDCARE SERVICES. IN FACT,

18 THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY CHILD CARE ASKED GRACE TO

19 CREATE A MODEL FOR PLAZA DE LA RAZA'S CHILD DEVELOPMENT

20 SERVICES TO PROMOTE THE COLLABORATION OF FAMILY FACILITIES AND

21 HEAD START FACILITIES AS WELL. THIS SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM HAS

22 BEEN FEATURED IN K.C.E.T., "A PLACE OF OUR OWN" AND "LOS NINOS

23 EN SU CASA." GRACE, WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU FOR THE

24 OUTSTANDING WORK THAT YOU DO AS WELL AS YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THE





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1 AREA OF CHILD CARE AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT. CONGRATULATIONS.

2 [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, I'M HONORED TO PRESENT ONE OF  
7 THE AWARDEES FOR THE UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL L.A.U.P. UNIVERSAL  
8 PRESCHOOL AWARDS TO CLAUDIA ARAUJO. CLAUDIA IS THE HEAD OF  
9 PRESCHOOL-- IS THE HEAD PRESCHOOL TEACHER AT L.A. UNIFIED  
10 SCHOOL, VANALDEN EARLY EDUCATION CENTER IN RESEDA. SHE HAS  
11 BEEN TEACHING FOR 16 YEARS, WHICH IS HARD TO BELIEVE, AND HAS  
12 BEEN AT THE VANALDEN CENTER FOR THE LAST SIX YEARS WHERE SHE  
13 HAS BECOME AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE COMMUNITY. FROM AN EARLY  
14 AGE, CLAUDIA KNEW SHE WAS GOING TO BECOME A TEACHER. SHE  
15 PURSUED A CAREER IN EDUCATION, CULMINATING WITH A MASTER OF  
16 ARTS DEGREE IN TEACHING, WITH A SPECIALIZATION IN EARLY  
17 CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. CLAUDIA IS AN ADVOCATE FOR YOUNG CHILDREN  
18 AND IS KNOWN FOR HER ABILITY TO FOCUS IN ON THE SPECIFIC NEEDS  
19 OF EACH CHILD. SHE IS INSTRUMENTAL IN DEVELOPING HER STUDENTS'  
20 SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL, COGNITIVE AND PHYSICAL NEEDS. SHE IS AN  
21 ACTIVE PARTICIPANT WITH THE TEACHERS, AIDES AND PARENTS. SHE  
22 IS KNOWN FOR FACILITATING A VARIETY OF QUALITY PRE-  
23 KINDERGARTEN IN EARLY LITERACY AND MATH WORKSHOPS FOR BOTH HER  
24 COLLEAGUES AS WELL AS OTHER PRESCHOOL CENTERS. IN RECOGNITION  
25 OF HER EXCEPTIONAL WORK, THE VANALDEN CENTER HAS RECEIVED



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1   \$2,500 GRANT TO ENHANCE AND ENRICH THEIR EARLY LITERACY AND  
2   MATH PROGRAM. CELESTINE PEERMAN, CLAUDIA'S SCHOOL PRINCIPAL,  
3   SAYS IT BEST. SHE SAYS, "CLAUDIA IS PROFESSIONAL,  
4   KNOWLEDGEABLE AND A WELL RESPECTED LEADER. CLAUDIA ARAUJO  
5   EXEMPLIFIES WHAT A LOS ANGELES COUNTY PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE  
6   YEAR SHOULD BE." SO PLEASE GIVE A HAND TO CLAUDIA ARAUJO.  
7   [APPLAUSE.]

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9   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. I APOLOGIZE FOR NOT  
10   ACKNOWLEDGING IN PROPER ORDER. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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12   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. I'M  
13   DELIGHTED TO HAVE WITH US TODAY GWENDOLYN CREWS WHO HAS  
14   DISTINGUISHED HERSELF YET AGAIN. SHE IS THE DIRECTOR OF  
15   JUNIORVERSITY PRESCHOOL IN COMPTON AND IS KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE  
16   COMMUNITY AS AUNTIE GWEN. SHE HAS BEEN TEACHING PRESCHOOL FOR  
17   17 YEARS AND STARTED WITH A FAMILY CHILD CARE SCHOOL IN HER  
18   HOME IN CARSON. FROM THE BEGINNING, SHE MADE SURE HER SCHOOLS  
19   OFFERED MORE THAN MERELY BABY-SITTING. THERE HAVE BEEN PLACES  
20   FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS TO LEARN AND TO GROW. WITH THE  
21   PARTNERSHIP OF HER HUSBAND, BOBBY CREWS, MRS. CREWS BUILT HER  
22   SMALL BUSINESS BY CONVERTING A VACANT BUILDING INTO WHAT WE  
23   NOW KNOW AS JUNIORVERSITY PRESCHOOL. HER SCHOOL SERVES  
24   APPROXIMATELY 95 CHILDREN, INCLUDING INFANTS, TODDLERS, AND  
25   PRESCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN. IN ADDITION TO TEACHING ACADEMIC



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1 SKILLS, MRS. CRUZ TAKES HER STUDENTS TO PROVIDE FOOD FOR  
2 HOMELESS CITIZENS AT A DOWNTOWN SHELTER. ADDITIONALLY, SHE  
3 PURCHASED FOOD AND CLOTHING FOR CHILDREN WHOSE FAMILIES ARE  
4 EXPERIENCING FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY, AND MRS. CREWS HAS BEEN  
5 FEATURED ON A NUMBER OF TELEVISION SERIES INCLUDING "A PLACE  
6 OF OUR OWN" AND "MAKING IT" AND HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN RECOGNIZED  
7 BY HER CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES AS WELL AS THOSE IN THE  
8 STATE LEGISLATURE. SHE IS NO STRANGER TO THIS BODY AS PRIOR TO  
9 HER PRESCHOOL CAREER SHE SERVED IN A CLERICAL POSITION WITH  
10 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SHE HOLDS A MASTER'S DEGREE IN CHILD  
11 DEVELOPMENT AND HAS BEEN A MENTOR TO STUDENTS LEARNING TO  
12 BECOME EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS, AND SO WE WISH TO THANK YOU,  
13 MRS. CREWS, FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO THE YOUNG STUDENTS OF  
14 COMPTON AND BEYOND AND PLEASE CONTINUE TO INSPIRE, ENCOURAGE,  
15 AND EDUCATE THEM AS YOU HAVE BEEN A ROLE MODEL, AN EXAMPLE,  
16 ONE WORTHY OF CELEBRATION. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MS. GWENDOLYN  
17 CREWS. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE  
22 DELIA CASTANEDA STEPPING ACCEPTING ON BEHALF OF SHAWN JAMES,  
23 WHO IS THE RECIPIENT OF TODAY'S AWARD. HE'S A TEACHER AT THE  
24 PRESCHOOL AT MOUNT VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN CLAREMONT, AND  
25 HAS BEEN TEACHING FOR THE PAST 17 YEARS. HE WAS NOMINATED BY A



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1 PARENT IN THE CLASSROOM WHO STATED, "ALL OF THE KIDS LIGHT UP  
2 WHEN THEY SEE HIM IN THE CLASS." HIS COMMITMENT TO HIS JOB AND  
3 HIS STATEMENT-- NOMINATING STATEMENT IS, "HE IS TEACHING THE  
4 CHILDREN ABOUT HEALTHY EATING BY MAKING AND TENDING TO A FRUIT  
5 AND VEGETABLE GARDEN." WHEN THE CLASS DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH FUNDS  
6 FOR THEIR FIELD TRIP, HE INITIATED A PROGRAM RALLYING THE  
7 PARENTS TO HAVE A BAKE SALE RAISING ENOUGH FUNDS FOR THAT  
8 FIELD TRIP. PREVIOUS STUDENTS OFTEN COME BY TO SEE HIM, AS DO  
9 FAMILY MEMBERS WHO TELL HIM ABOUT THE EFFECT HE HAS MADE IN  
10 THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR CHILDREN. HE SEES HIS PURPOSE AS  
11 BEING AN ADVOCATE, EDUCATOR AND A POSITIVE ROLE MODEL, SO LET  
12 ME GIVE YOU THIS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD FOR SHAWN. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO COME UP  
15 AND LET'S DO A GROUP PICTURE, BUT BEFORE WE DO THAT, LET ME  
16 CALL ON DR. CECILIA AYALA FROM L.A.U.P., CRISIS DIRECTOR, TO  
17 SHARE A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE PROGRAM.

18

19 **DR. CECILIA AYALA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, CHAIRPERSON AND ALL  
20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES-- LOS ANGELES  
21 UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL PRIMARILY FUNDED AND IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
22 FIRST 5 L.A., WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY AND TO  
23 RECOGNIZE THOSE TEACHERS WHO ARE LAYING THE FOUNDATIONS IN OUR  
24 COMMUNITIES ON CHANGING THE READINESS SKILLS SO THAT OUR  
25 STUDENTS CAN SUCCEED IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT, AND IN



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1 PARTNERSHIP WITH DR. ROBLES FOR THE L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF  
2 EDUCATION, WE WANT TO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT  
5 SOME OTHER FOLKS WITHIN OUR DISTRICT. TODAY THE BOARD IS  
6 RECOGNIZING SEVERAL YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE THE RECIPIENTS  
7 OF THE BILL TAINTER SCHOLARSHIP. BILL TAINTER WAS A WELL KNOWN  
8 ADVOCACY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND WAS NATIONALLY  
9 RECOGNIZED AS A LEADER AS WELL AS A ROLE MODEL. THE LOS  
10 ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES ESTABLISHED THE  
11 TAINTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM TO OFFER HIGH SCHOOL  
12 STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES THE FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME  
13 MORE INDEPENDENT AND SELF-SUFFICIENT THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION.  
14 TODAY'S RECIPIENTS ARE TRULY UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS AND  
15 UNBELIEVABLY EXCEPTIONAL ROLE MODELS. IN ADDITION TO OUR  
16 HONOREES, WE ARE ALSO JOINED BY COMMISSION PRESIDENT JANE NEIL  
17 AS WELL AS MANY OF OUR OTHER COMMISSIONERS WHO ARE HERE THIS  
18 MORNING AND AROUND US. LET ME BEGIN. SO EACH OF THE  
19 SUPERVISORS ARE GOING TO BE MAKING A PRESENTATION, AND LET ME  
20 BEGIN BY WELCOMING MY RECIPIENT AND THAT IS JENNY BRAVO. JENNY  
21 GRADUATED FROM LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL AND WILL ATTEND CAL STATE  
22 LOS ANGELES THIS FALL. ALTHOUGH SHE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH SEVERE  
23 LEARNING DISORDER, JENNY IS TENACIOUS. WE APPLAUD HER  
24 DETERMINATION TO OBTAIN A DEGREE AND TO PURSUE A CAREER IN  
25 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH. SHE IS DEVOTED TO HER FAMILY AND





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1 COMMUNITY. SHE'S AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF MENSA. SHE ATTENDS DRAMA  
2 CLASSES AND SHE WORKS PART-TIME AT THE LINCOLN ADULT SCHOOL.  
3 OVER THE YEARS, JENNY HAS INSPIRED COUNTLESS OTHERS TO ALSO  
4 ATTEND COLLEGE DESPITE OBSTACLES AND CHALLENGES AND SHE IS A  
5 WONDERFUL ROLE MODEL. CONGRATULATIONS, JENNY. VERY DESERVING.  
6 DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING? OKAY. SHE WANTS TO SHARE A FEW  
7 WORDS.

8

9 **JENNY BRAVO:** I'M REALLY GRATEFUL AND HONORED TO HAVE BEEN  
10 CHOSEN FOR THIS CEREMONY. THANK YOU. I WILL CONTINUE TO GO TO  
11 SCHOOL AND DO MY BEST.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THERE  
16 HE IS.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS, I'M PLEASED TO  
19 RECOGNIZE THE SECOND BILL TANTER SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT. HE IS  
20 NONE OTHER THAN ERIC PARAGAN. ERIC GRADUATED CAMINO NUEVO HIGH  
21 SCHOOL AND WILL BE ATTENDING THE COLLEGE OF THE REDWOODS THIS  
22 FALL. HE HAS WORKED DILIGENTLY AND CONSISTENTLY TO EXCEL IN  
23 ACADEMICS, GIVEN WHAT IS DEFINED AS A SEVERE LEARNING  
24 DISORDER. HE REFUSES TO ALLOW ANYTHING TO BE AN IMPEDIMENT, TO  
25 HINDER HIS SUCCESS AND HIS LIFE EXPERIENCES MOTIVATE HIM TO



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1 GROW. I BELIEVE HE DESERVES A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THAT  
2 ALONE. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HE HAS INTERNED WITH THE BRESEE FOUNDATION  
5 WORKED TO DEVELOP A SHORT FILM ABOUT THE SUMMER PROGRAMS AT  
6 THE BRESEE CENTER, WHICH ARE NOW USED TO RECRUIT STUDENTS TO  
7 THAT CENTER. HE IS A YOUNG MAN WHO SHOWS GREAT CAPACITY FOR  
8 GROWTH AND SUCCESS. HE ASPIRES TO REACH INDEPENDENCE THROUGH  
9 EDUCATION AND HOPES TO REALIZE HIS DREAM OF BECOMING A  
10 ZOOLOGIST. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, ERIC, ON YOUR SCHOLARSHIP,  
11 AND WE WANT TO CONTINUE-- ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONTINUE TO BE  
12 MOTIVATED AND WORK HARD TO ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS, AND YOU SHOULD  
13 JUST KNOW YOU'RE SIMPLY AN INSPIRATION TO ALL OF US AND MANY,  
14 MANY MORE. ERIC PARAGAN. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RACHEL CRABTREE IS A GRADUATE OF EAGLE ROCK  
17 JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS IN LOS ANGELES, HAS MAINTAINED  
18 A LEVEL OF EXCELLENCE AND DEDICATION IN HER STUDIES, IS  
19 PURSUING AN EDUCATION BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL AND ASPIRES TO EARN A  
20 DEGREE IN MEDICINE AND SO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ALL OF US,  
21 WANT TO JOIN TODAY IN HONORING YOU AND COMMENDING YOU FOR YOUR  
22 EXTRAORDINARY EFFORTS TO FURTHER YOUR EDUCATION AND WE APPLAUD  
23 YOU FOR YOUR MOTIVATION TO SUCCEED AND RECOGNIZE YOUR COURAGE  
24 TO MEET LIFE'S CHALLENGES AND WISHES YOU WELL IN ALL OF YOUR



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1 PURSUITS AND WE NEED MORE MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS, SO I THINK  
2 YOU'VE GOT A GOOD START. CONGRATULATIONS.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S MY  
5 PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT THE BILL TANTER SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE  
6 FOURTH DISTRICT TO CASEY NERIO. SORRY ABOUT THAT. CASEY  
7 GRADUATED FROM TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL, HAS BEEN ACCEPTED TO  
8 ATTEND EL CAMINO COLLEGE FOR THE FALL OF 2010. CASEY WAS BORN  
9 PREMATURE AND DIAGNOSED WITH CEREBRAL PALSY. THROUGHOUT  
10 ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL, SHE WAS FOCUSED IN HER STUDIES.  
11 THIS DEDICATION BROUGHT HER TO ACHIEVE HONOR ROLL STATUS THREE  
12 YEARS STRAIGHT. WOW. SHE'S ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT WORKING HARD  
13 WILL LEAD TO MANY ACHIEVEMENTS. IF EARNING HIGH MARKS IN  
14 SCHOOL MEANT SHE HAD TO SACRIFICE TIME ON THE WEEKENDS AND  
15 EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, SHE DID IT. IT WAS IN HER EIGHTH  
16 GRADE YEAR WHERE HER PASSION FOR HISTORY INSPIRED HER FUTURE  
17 CAREER GOALS. SHE HAD A TEACHER WITH A CONTAGIOUS PASSION FOR  
18 HISTORY AND SHE IMMEDIATELY KNEW SHE HAD TO CAPTURE SOME OF  
19 THAT PASSION FOR HERSELF. KNOWING WHAT AN IMPORTANT ROLE SHE  
20 CAN HAVE IN ADVOCATING FOR THE DISABLED, OBTAINED HER OWN  
21 INDEPENDENCE AND BECOME SELF-SUFFICIENT, EMPOWERS HER TO  
22 ACHIEVE THAT ULTIMATE GOAL, SHE IS GOING TO BE A HISTORY  
23 TEACHER. SO CONGRATULATIONS, CASEY, AND ON YOUR SCHOLARSHIP,  
24 CONTINUED BLESSINGS AND CONTINUED HARD WORK AND GOOD LUCK.  
25 [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR PRESENTATION.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AT THIS TIME, WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT ALLEN  
5 CHIN, WHO JUST GRADUATED FROM SOUTH HILLS HIGH SCHOOL, HAS  
6 BEEN ACCEPTED TO ATTEND POMONA COLLEGE FOR THE FALL OF 2010.  
7 HE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH AUTISM, A NEUROLOGICAL DISORDER COMBINED  
8 WITH CONGENITAL HYPOTONIA. DESPITE THIS, HE HAS ACHIEVED  
9 ACADEMIC-- ABOVE AVERAGE ACADEMIC STANDARDS BY BEING A  
10 NATIONAL MERIT FINAL AND AN A.P. SCHOLAR WITH DISTINCTION.  
11 HE'S ACHIEVED TOP 1 PERCENT OF HIS CLASS AND HE VIEWS THE  
12 FUTURE AND HIS OVERCOMING THE VARIOUS HEALTH PROBLEMS AS  
13 HELPING HIM TO BECOME A PRODUCTIVE MEMBER OF SOCIETY TO ENRICH  
14 HUMANITY. HE ENJOYING TUTORING. HE TUTORS AT HIS MIDDLE SCHOOL  
15 AND HE'S DRIVEN WITH A VERY STRONG CURIOSITY FOR THE WORLD  
16 AROUND HIM AND HE HOPES TO BECOME A COMPUTER PROGRAMMER. THIS  
17 OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGHER EDUCATION PROMISES HIM AS THAT WAY FOR  
18 THE INFORMATION HE HAS LEARNED TO HELP HIM AND TO HELP OTHERS  
19 MAKE LIFE EASIER. SO ALLEN? [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, OUR COMMISSION  
22 PRESIDENT IS HERE, JANET NEIL, BUT MANY OF OUR COMMISSIONERS  
23 AS WELL THAT ARE APPOINTED BY ALL OF US ARE HERE. I'M GOING TO  
24 GO DOWN AND JOIN THE RECIPIENTS AND LET'S TAKE ONE GROUP  
25 PICTURE.



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2 **JANET NEIL:** I JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR COMING. I WANT  
3 TO THANK THE PARENTS FOR SUPPORTING THESE KIDS. THESE ARE VERY  
4 DESERVING CHILDREN. IT WAS VERY DIFFICULT TO COME UP WITH  
5 JUST ONE FOR EACH DISTRICT BECAUSE THEY WERE ALL SO DESERVING.  
6 SO CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU. I PERSONALLY WOULD LIKE FOR  
7 ANY OF YOU THAT HAVE ANY KIND OF DIFFICULTIES, ANYTHING, JUST  
8 LET ME KNOW, I'M RIGHT THERE TO HELP ANY WAY I CAN AND ANY OF  
9 THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HAPPY TO HELP YOU, TOO, AND  
10 CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR  
11 PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROCESS. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR  
14 PRESENTATIONS.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. WE HAVE  
17 YET ANOTHER IMPORTANT EXCITING, INTERESTING, PROVOCATIVE  
18 PRESENTATION. JUST RECENTLY, HAD THE EXPERIENCE OF BEING A  
19 PART OF OUR OWN NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM'S OPENING OF AN  
20 EXTRAORDINARY EXHIBIT, THE AGE OF MAMMALS, AND SO I'M PLEASED  
21 TO HAVE WITH US THIS MORNING ONE WHO IS WELL KNOWN AND  
22 RECOGNIZED AMONG US, DR. JANE PISANO, PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR  
23 OF THE NATURAL HISTORY OF MUSEUM OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND  
24 MR. PAUL HAAGA, PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. THE LOS  
25 ANGELES COUNTY NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM WAS ORIGINALLY OPENED AS





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1 SOME OF YOU MAY OR MAY NOT KNOW, AS THE MUSEUM OF HISTORY,  
2 SCIENCE AND ART. JUST A FEW DAYS AGO, IN 1913, AND IT'S FAIR  
3 TO SAY IT HAS SHAPED THE SCENERY AT THE PLACE THAT MANY OF US  
4 DEFINE AS EXPOSITION PARK FOR THE LAST 97 YEARS. AS THE FIRST  
5 DEDICATED MUSEUM BUILDING IN LOS ANGELES, IT HOLDS A DEEP AND  
6 TREASURED HISTORY OF ITS OWN AND ITS EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS  
7 ENCOURAGE THOSE WHO VISIT ITS HALLS TO EXPLORE THE WONDERS OF  
8 NATURAL HISTORY THROUGH THE AGES. THE MUSEUM IS CONSTANTLY  
9 EVOLVING, BRINGING NEW AND EXCITING FACETS OF SCIENTIFIC  
10 KNOWLEDGE TO THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY, I WOULD SAY THE  
11 GREATER LOS ANGELES REGION. THE NEWEST EXHIBIT AS WE HAD A  
12 CHANCE TO VISIT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THE ARTS DEPUTIES FROM  
13 THE FIRST AND SECOND DISTRICT AS WELL AS OTHERS, OPENED TO THE  
14 PUBLIC ON THIS PAST SUNDAY. AND SO WE HAD A BALL, TO PUT IT  
15 MILDLY. SOMEONE EVEN CAUGHT ME TWEETING ABOUT WHAT I WAS  
16 EXPERIENCING. IT TOOK ME BACK MANY YEARS WHEN I WAS AN  
17 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT, NOT TO BE CONFUSED WITH PREHISTORIC  
18 HISTORY ITSELF, BUT WHEN YOU GO INTO THE NEW VENUE, THE  
19 GALLERY THAT IS AS CONTEMPORARY AND ALIVE AS THE 21ST CENTURY  
20 ITSELF, THE AGE OF MAMMALS IS SIMPLY STUNNING. AND SO DR.  
21 PISANO, I'M PLEASED TO PRESENT YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES THIS  
22 SCROLL ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES IN CELEBRATION OF WHAT'S  
23 GOING ON AT THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM, IT'S A VERITABLE  
24 REBIRTH. IT IS ABOUT RENAISSANCE, IT IS ABOUT REVITALIZATION  
25 AND IT'S CONTRIBUTING SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE INTELLECTUAL



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1 CAPITAL OF THIS REGION BECAUSE OF THE FASCINATING AND NOT  
2 ESOTERIC, BUT CERTAINLY FACTS THAT WE MAY NOT OTHERWISE  
3 ACCESS, BUT ONCE BEING IN THAT VENUE, YOU'LL SEE HOW  
4 ACCESSIBLE THEY REALLY ARE. IT'S A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR  
5 US ALL AND I'M PLEASED TO BE HERE WITH YOU TO CELEBRATE IN  
6 THIS CONTEXT, THE REOPENING OF THE 1913 BUILDING AND THE GRAND  
7 OPENING OF THE AGE OF MAMMALS EXHIBITS AND LOOK FORWARD TO ALL  
8 THE OTHER ACTIVITIES THAT ARE ONLINE AS WE MOVE TOWARD THE  
9 CENTENNIAL MARK OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY NATURAL HISTORY  
10 MUSEUM. DR. PISANO AND GUESTS. [APPLAUSE.]

11  
12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE ONE AND ONLY PAUL HAAGA.

13  
14 **PAUL HAAGA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND THANK YOU  
15 TO ALL. I'M THE BOARD CHAIR-- BOARD PRESIDENT OF THE  
16 FOUNDATION, SO I REPRESENT THE PRIVATE PART OF WHAT IS REALLY  
17 A UNIQUE AND UNIQUELY EFFECTIVE PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP,  
18 AND WE WANT TO THANK THE PUBLIC PART RIGHT HERE. I HAVE A  
19 GREAT DEAL OF RESPECT FOR THE WORK OF THIS BOARD AND FOR THE  
20 WORK OF EVERYONE IN THE COUNTY, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO ASK MADAME  
21 CHAIR IF IT'S POSSIBLE FOR ME AS A CIVILIAN TO SUBMIT A MOTION  
22 TO CANCEL-- TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING IMMEDIATELY, CANCEL ALL  
23 COUNTY WORK FOR THE REST OF THE DAY, AND BRING EVERYBODY IN  
24 THIS BUILDING DOWN TO SEE "THE AGE OF MAMMALS EXHIBIT." IT IS



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1 THAT GOOD. IT WILL BE THE BEST DAY OF YOUR LIFE. THANK YOU.

2 [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I SO MOVE. IS THERE A SECOND? I THINK I  
5 HEARD A SECOND IN THE HOUSE. DR. PISANO?

6

7 **DR. JANE PISANO:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE MEMBERS  
8 OF MY TEAM, WHO ARE WITH ME HERE TODAY: GERALD GARRETT, LONG-  
9 TIME EMPLOYEE AND CHIEF DEPUTY AND CYNTHIA WARNHAM, OUR VICE  
10 PRESIDENT FROM MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS. AND TOGETHER WE  
11 REPRESENT ABOUT 280 EMPLOYEES OF THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM,  
12 ALL OF WHOM ARE WORKING VERY HARD TO MAKE THIS RENAISSANCE  
13 COME TO BE. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING US. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. MAY I  
16 PROCEED TO THE PRESENTATION, TO THE ONE AND ONLY RUSS GUINEY,  
17 AND WE DO THIS IN RECOGNITION OF PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH  
18 HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND BEYOND. MANY OF YOU KNOW  
19 THAT THE NATIONAL RECREATION AND PARKS ASSOCIATION HAS  
20 DESIGNATED THE MONTH OF JULY AS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH.  
21 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PARKS, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND  
22 RECREATION IS COMPRISED OF MORE THAN 90 LOCAL COMMUNITY AND  
23 REGIONAL PARKS, 337 MILES OF HIKING AND EQUESTRIAN TRAILS, 27  
24 PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS, 14 LAKES AND MORE AND MORE AND MORE AND  
25 IT'S ALL GOOD, 19 NATURAL AREAS AND WILDLIFE SANCTUARIES. THAT



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1 WOULD BE SANCTUARIES, SUPERVISOR KNABE. THE SECOND DISTRICT IS  
2 HOME TO SOME 13 OF THE 27 POOLS MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT, SIX  
3 OF WHICH HAVE RECENTLY UNDERGONE SUBSTANTIAL UPGRADES AND  
4 WE'RE PROUD OF THAT. THESE POOLS OFFER FREE SWIM LESSONS,  
5 RECREATIONAL SWIMMING AND A VARIETY OF PROGRAM-- OF PROGRAMS  
6 RANGING FROM SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING TO WATER AEROBICS. THE POOL  
7 AT ONE OF THE PARKS NAMED AFTER THE FAMOUS JESSE OWENS IS ONE  
8 OF THE ONLY TWO POOLS IN THE COUNTY THAT IS OPENED YEAR-ROUND,  
9 YEAR-ROUND. NOW, STUDIES SHOW THAT CHILDREN WHO PARTICIPATE OR  
10 WHO PARTAKE IN OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE AVAILABLE AT OUR  
11 PARKS ARE HEALTHIER, DO BETTER IN SCHOOL, HAVE BETTER SOCIAL  
12 SKILLS AND SELF-IMAGE AND LEAD MORE FULFILLED LIFE. AND SO  
13 DURING THE MONTH OF JULY, L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED  
14 TO VISIT THEIR LOCAL PARKS AND PARTICIPATE IN THE MANY  
15 ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS AVAILABLE TO THEM THROUGHOUT THE FIVE  
16 DISTRICTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND SO I'M DELIGHTED  
17 TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO YOU, RUSS, ON BEHALF OF THE  
18 DEPARTMENT, ON BEHALF OF ALL OF ITS HARD-WORKING EMPLOYEES AND  
19 AS WE CELEBRATE PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH THROUGHOUT OUR  
20 COUNTY, YOU DESERVE IT AND WE ARE PROUD TO PRESENT IT TO YOU  
21 ON BEHALF OF ALL MEMBERS. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **RUSS GUINEY:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR, AND  
24 THANK YOU, BOARD, FOR PROCLAIMING THIS MONTH PARK AND  
25 RECREATION MONTH. A FEW YEARS AGO, WE HAD A VISITOR AT JESSE



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1 OWENS PARK AT WESTERN AVENUE AND 98TH STREET. THAT VISITOR  
2 CAME DURING PARK AND RECREATION MONTH TO RECREATE WITH HIS  
3 FRIENDS. THEIR FORM OF RECREATION WAS TO THROW ROCKS AT THE  
4 WINDOWS IN THE POOL. THEY LIKED HEARING THE GLASS SHATTER,  
5 THEY LIKED SEEING IT HIT THE PAVEMENT AND SHATTER AGAIN. IN  
6 THE MIDST OF THEIR FUN, SUDDENLY THE LIFEGUARDS CAME RUNNING  
7 OUT OF THE POOL. THE YOUNG MAN TOOK OFF RUNNING AS FAST AS HE  
8 COULD. HIS HEART WAS POUNDING, HE WAS PUSHED TO THE GROUND, HE  
9 WAS PICKED UP BY SEVERAL LIFE GUARDS, TAKEN BACK TO THE POOL,  
10 AND THROWN IN THE POOL AND WAS TOLD THAT HE COULDN'T GET OUT  
11 UNTIL HE CLEANED UP THE MESS THAT HE HAD MADE. NOW JUST TO  
12 REASSURE YOU, ANDREA AND BILL, WE DON'T USE THAT TECHNIQUE ANY  
13 MORE, BUT IT WAS VERY EFFECTIVE AND THIS YOUNG MAN DID CLEAN  
14 UP THE MESS THAT HE HAD MADE. THE POOL LIFEGUARDS ALLOWED HIM  
15 TO HANG AROUND THE POOL. THEY GAVE HIM ODD JOBS. THE NEXT  
16 YEAR, HE WAS A JUNIOR LIFEGUARD. THE YEAR AFTER THAT, HE  
17 BECAME A LIFEGUARD. HE WENT OFF TO COLLEGE, GOT MARRIED, HE  
18 CAME BACK AND NOW WORKS AS AN OCEAN LIFEGUARD FOR OUR COUNTY  
19 FIRE DEPARTMENT. A REAL SUCCESS STORY FROM A PARKS AND  
20 RECREATION PROGRAM THAT IS LOW COST AND HIGH IMPACT. THIS PAST  
21 WEEK, WE STARTED ANOTHER PROGRAM, PARKS AFTER DARK, IN  
22 UNINCORPORATED DUARTE AT PAMELA PARK, WATKINS PARK IN SOUTH  
23 LOS ANGELES AND ROOSEVELT PARK IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. THESE ARE  
24 EVENING PROGRAMS WHERE KIDS FROM THE STREET AND NEIGHBORHOOD  
25 CAN HANG OUT WITH GOOD PEOPLE DOING GOOD THINGS AND THESE ARE





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1 PROGRAMS THAT INVOLVE OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. IN ONE OF  
2 THESE PROGRAMS, WE HAVE A PROBATION OFFICER LEADING A COOKING  
3 CLASS. IN ANOTHER ONE, A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY DOING AN AEROBICS  
4 CLASS. IN ANOTHER CLASS, A PARK AND PUBLIC HEALTH EMPLOYEE HAS  
5 ORGANIZED A WALKING CLUB AND WE HAVE PUBLIC LIBRARY EMPLOYEES  
6 DOING READING PROGRAMS HERE. THESE ARE PARK AND RECREATION  
7 PROGRAMS IN PARK AND RECREATION MONTH. THEY'RE LOW COST.  
8 THEY'RE HIGH IMPACT. THEY CHANGE LIVES. THEY MAKE A  
9 DIFFERENCE. I JUST WANT TO RECOGNIZE SOME OF OUR STAFF FROM  
10 BEHIND THE SCENES, OUR EXECUTIVE STAFF SUPPORT TEAM, OUR  
11 GRANTS PROGRAM TEAM AND OUR PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICERS TEAM.  
12 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOW, RUSS, YOU KNOW BETTER THAN TO SET THE  
15 BOARD UP. YOU GOT THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL ON YOUR  
16 UNCONVENTIONAL APPROACH TO DISCIPLINE AND THIS NOTION OF  
17 CORPORAL PUNISHMENT, WHICH WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. FRANKLY, IT  
18 WAS AN ANTI-CLIMACTIC STORY. WE THOUGHT THAT WAS YOUR  
19 AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL RENDITION, BUT WITH ALL THAT HAVING BEEN  
20 SAID, WE OUGHT TO GIVE THE STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
21 AND RECREATION A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR WHAT THEY DO FOR  
22 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DISTRICTS 1 THROUGH 5. GIVE THEM A  
23 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NEXT WE HAVE SUPERVISOR KNABE.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
3 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE HAVE SOME CHAMPIONS DOWN HERE THIS  
4 MORNING. THE ONE AND ONLY RANCHO RENEGADES. LET'S GIVE THEM A  
5 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, RANCHO LOS AMIGOS. FOOLED YOU, HUH,  
6 STEVE? HE TOOK HIS OWN WHEEL OFF THERE. THESE YOUNG MEN ARE  
7 NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED, FINISHED SECOND IN THE NATION IN  
8 WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL. WE HAD THEM UPSTAIRS THIS MORNING, GOT  
9 THEM SOME TOURS, GAVE THEM SOME INDIVIDUAL SCROLLS, WE GOT THE  
10 GREAT COACH, LISA HILBORN HERE WITH US, THE COACH OF RANCHO  
11 RENEGADES WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL TEAM. WE HAVE DR. LEWIS MONTEZ  
12 WAS HERE EARLIER. I DON'T KNOW IF HE'S STILL HERE OR NOT. WE  
13 HAVE GREG ROSCOE FROM THE FOUNDATION AND WE HAVE LAS FLORISTAS  
14 CHARITIES. I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY, I'M SO PROUD OF THESE  
15 GUYS, WHAT THEY DO. THEY WORK VERY, VERY HARD AND LISA  
16 ABSOLUTELY IS THE GREAT COACH WITH THEM. THIS PROGRAM WAS  
17 STARTED AND DEVELOPED IN 1987 AT THE HOSPITAL THERE AT RANCHO.  
18 THE RANCHO RENEGADES VARSITY WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL TEAM HAS  
19 QUALIFIED FOR COMPETITION AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL FOR THE PAST  
20 16 CONSECUTIVE YEARS. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY ARE THE WEST COAST CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS. THE  
23 RANCHO RENEGADES QUALIFIED FOR COMPETITION OF THE NATIONAL  
24 TOURNAMENT WHERE THEY FINISHED SECOND AT THE NATIONAL  
25 WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT IN DENVER, COLORADO. THIS



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1 SPORTS AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM SPONSORED ENTIRELY THROUGH THE  
2 GENEROUS DONATIONS OF LAS FLORISTAS CHILDREN'S CHARITIES, AN  
3 ALL VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAS DEDICATED OVER 75 YEARS  
4 OF HELPING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH PHYSICAL CHALLENGES  
5 LEAD MORE PRODUCTIVE LIVES THROUGH ALL THAT THEY DO AND WE ARE  
6 REALLY PROUD OF THEM AND OBVIOUSLY WITH THE WORK AT RANCHO LOS  
7 AMIGOS AND THE U.S.C. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, THESE YOUNG MEN HAVE  
8 BENEFITED GREATLY. ALSO, WE COOPERATE WITH THEM AND THEY WORK  
9 OUT AT THE CERRITOS REGIONAL GYMNASIUM WHERE THEY CAN ENHANCE  
10 THEIR ABILITIES A COUPLE TIMES A WEEK. SO ON BEHALF OF THE  
11 BOARD, WE JUST WANT TO ONCE AGAIN CONGRATULATE ALL OF YOU AND  
12 TO TELL YOU HOW PROUD WE ARE OF YOU AND WE'RE GOING TO GIVE  
13 COACH HILBORN HERE THE SCROLL. YOU GOT YOUR INDIVIDUAL SCROLLS  
14 UPSTAIRS AND YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO SMILE AGAIN. OKAY? THAT'S  
15 A PROMISE. RIGHT? LISA, DO YOU WANT TO SAY A COUPLE THINGS.

16

17 **LISA HILBORN:** ABSOLUTELY. FIRST AND FOREMOST, SUPERVISOR  
18 KNABE, WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF RANCHO AND  
19 THESE ATHLETES ARE SIMPLY AN EXAMPLE OF THE LIVES YOU HAVE  
20 CHANGED BY HELPING TO KEEP RANCHO ALIVE AND HEALTHY AND STRONG  
21 AND YOUR SUPPORT OVER THE YEARS HAS MEANT THE WORLD, SO THANK  
22 YOU VERY MUCH. LET'S GIVE THIS MAN A HAND. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **LISA HILBORN:** AND ANGEL, YOUR SUPPORT AT CERRITOS IS  
25 TREMENDOUS. WE FOUND A HOME THERE. YOU WORK WITH US ON EVERY



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1 OCCASION AND THE ABILITY TO PRACTICE ANY TIME MAKES AN  
2 INCREDIBLE DIFFERENCE AND THIS YEAR BEING ABLE TO PLACE SECOND  
3 IN THE NATION, THAT HELPS US TREMENDOUSLY, SO THANK YOU VERY  
4 MUCH. ANOTHER HAND, PLEASE. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **LISA HILBORN:** AND THE BRIDGING OF RANCHO LOS AMIGOS AND LAS  
7 FLORISTAS HAS BEEN TREMENDOUS. WITHOUT THAT SUPPORT OF LAS  
8 FLORISTAS, WHO FULLY FUNDS OUR PROGRAM, OUR ATHLETES WOULDN'T  
9 HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRAVEL THE NATION COMPETING IN  
10 OBVIOUSLY IN BASKETBALL, BUT FOOTBALL, HOCKEY, TENNIS, OVER  
11 THE LINE, ALL OF THESE SPORTS ARE AMONG THOSE THAT THESE  
12 ATHLETES COMPETE IN, AND CERTAINLY OUR PROGRAM IS ONE OF THE  
13 STRONGEST IN THE NATION FOR BASKETBALL AND VARIOUS OTHER  
14 SPORTS, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, SPORTS HAVE SERVED AS A VEHICLE  
15 TO PULL THESE ATHLETES INTO A VERY POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT  
16 THROUGH WHICH THEY HAVE SUSTAINED. MANY OF THEM ARE GOING TO  
17 BIG COLLEGES, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON, UNIVERSITY OF  
18 WHITEWATER, WISCONSIN, ARIZONA, ALL THESE COLLEGES ARE LOOKING  
19 AT THESE ATHLETES TO PROVIDE THEM WITH FULL SCHOLARSHIPS TO  
20 PLAY WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL AND REPRESENT THESE SCHOOLS. WE  
21 HAVE 10 ATHLETES THROUGHOUT THE NATION THAT ARE ALREADY IN  
22 THESE DIVISION ONE PROGRAMS AND THESE ATHLETES ASPIRE TO  
23 ACCOMPLISH THAT SAME THING, AND WHAT'S THOROUGHLY EXCITING AND  
24 THAT I'M MOST PROUD OF IS THAT THESE ATHLETES ARE GOING TO  
25 TURN AROUND AND CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIETY IN A WAY THAT IS UNIQUE,



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1 THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE-- MANY OF THEM ARE INTERESTED IN  
2 SOCIAL WORK AND REALLY GIVING BACK. WE HAVE SEVERAL ATHLETES  
3 THAT ARE, IN FACT, SOCIAL WORKERS, PSYCHOLOGISTS, MECHANICAL  
4 ENGINEERS, ANYTHING THESE ATHLETES WANT TO DO, THEY HAVE FOUND  
5 THAT IT IS POSSIBLE THROUGH SMALL, SMALL MODIFICATION AND THAT  
6 BELIEF IN THEMSELVES THROUGH SPORT HAS REALLY TRANSCENDED. AND  
7 SO RANCHO RENEGADES, I'M JUST EXTREMELY PROUD OF YOU AS YOUR  
8 COACH, AS YOUR FRIEND, AND I JUST COULDN'T BE MORE HAPPY WITH  
9 SECOND IN THE NATION, SO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU THINK SHE'S PASSIONATE ABOUT THIS?!

12 [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** WE'LL DO A TEAM PHOTO HERE. OH, I DIDN'T KNOW  
15 THAT. WE NEED ANOTHER SCROLL. BOY, SHE GOT VOTED COACH OF THE  
16 YEAR. I DIDN'T KNOW THAT. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** I WAS JUST TELLING THE GUYS, ONE OF MY  
19 COMMISSIONERS, COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN, BOBBI JEAN  
20 TANNENBERG, WAS A FORMER PARALYMPIC CHAMPION, AND I GOT HER  
21 WHEATIES BOX-- I SHOULD HAVE HAD YOU SIGN THAT WHEATIES BOX,  
22 TOO. BUT ANYWAY, IT'S GREAT. THERE ARE A LOT OF CHAMPIONS, BUT  
23 MORE IMPORTANT, JUST BRIGHT INDIVIDUALS WITH A GREAT  
24 SUSTAINABLE LIFE AHEAD OF THEM. THANK YOU, COACH. [APPLAUSE.]

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1   **ALL:** 1, 2, 3... RANCHOS!

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3   **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. ONCE AGAIN, A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.

4   [APPLAUSE.]

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6   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU. NEXT, WE  
7   HAVE SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A LITTLE POODLE MIX, DAISY. SHE'S 24  
10   MONTHS OLD. THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING, YOU CAN CALL (562)728-  
11   4644. ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE OR STAFF HERE WHO IS INTERESTED  
12   IN LITTLE DAISY. LOOKING FOR A GOOD HOME. SACHI'S LOOKING?  
13   HUH? WANT TO GO UP TO COLORADO? HUH? TAKE A LITTLE BASKET UP  
14   TO COLORADO TO SEE THE FAMILY? MAYBE. OKAY. SHE'S SAYING HER  
15   PRAYERS RIGHT NOW.

16

17   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT COMPLETES OUR  
18   PRESENTATIONS THIS MORNING. I AM UP FIRST THIS MORNING AND I'D  
19   LIKE TO BEGIN WITH ITEM NUMBER 2. EARLIER THIS MONTH, H.D.R.  
20   ARCHITECTURE RELEASED A REPORT THAT HIGHLIGHTED L.A. COUNTY  
21   U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER AS WELL AS RANCHO HAD A SHORTAGE OF  
22   MEDICAL-SURG BEDS. THE REPORT MIRRORS THE INFORMATION THAT THE  
23   DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HAS BEEN PROVIDING TO US FOR A  
24   NUMBER OF MONTHS ABOUT THE OVERCROWDING AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C.  
25   RANCHO IS NOW EXPERIENCING OVERCROWDING AS A RESULT OF L.A.





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1 COUNTY U.S.C. PATIENTS BEING TRANSFERRED INTO THAT HOSPITAL.  
2 NOW, EVERY ONE OF US ON THE BOARD CARES DEEPLY ABOUT ALL OF  
3 OUR PATIENTS WITHIN OUR DISTRICT AND CERTAINLY COUNTY-WIDE,  
4 AND EVERY ONE OF US BELIEVES THAT WE HAVE TO PLAN FOR THE  
5 FUTURE. I AM TOLD THAT HEALTHCARE REFORM IS LIKELY TO  
6 ALLEVIATE THE OVERCROWDING SITUATION AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. AS  
7 WELL AS ALL OF OUR HOSPITALS, BUT, AGAIN, AT THE SAME TIME,  
8 WHILE I'M OPTIMISTIC, IT IS VERY CLEAR THAT MORE THAN LIKELY  
9 L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. WILL NEED ADDITIONAL BEDS. BUT I ALSO WANT  
10 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE TOTALLY PREPARED SHOULD  
11 HEALTHCARE REFORM NOT BE ALL THAT IT HAS BEEN PROMISED TO BE,  
12 SO CONSEQUENTLY, I AM ASKING THE DEPARTMENT TO PREPARE A  
13 CONTINGENCY PLAN, A PLAN B, AND, OF COURSE, THIS PLAN  
14 HOPEFULLY WILL BE AT NO COST, IT WILL BE PARTLY DEVELOPED OR  
15 SHOULD BE DEVELOPED INTERNALLY BY THE DEPARTMENT STAFF, AND  
16 WHILE AGAIN IT'S NOT ABOUT REVISITING THE SIZE OF THE  
17 HOSPITAL, UNFORTUNATELY THAT DECISION WAS MADE YEARS AGO, BUT  
18 IT IS ABOUT WHAT DO WE DO IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE  
19 MEETING AND HAVE ACCESS TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM AS WELL AS OUR  
20 HOSPITALS THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. AND SO HOPEFULLY HEALTHCARE  
21 REFORM WILL ALLEVIATE THIS PROBLEM FOR ALL OF US IN LOS  
22 ANGELES COUNTY BECAUSE ALL OF OUR COUNTY HOSPITALS RIGHT NOW  
23 HAVE SITUATIONS OF OVERCROWDING FROM TIME TO TIME AND, OF  
24 COURSE, A LOT OF THAT IS DUE TO, UNFORTUNATELY, OUR HAVING TO  
25 CLOSE MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL AND WE'VE SEEN MANY OF OUR



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1 EMERGENCY ROOMS CLOSE ACCESS TO MANY PATIENTS THROUGHOUT L.A.  
2 COUNTY. WHILE THE IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE HOSPITAL ITSELF HAVE  
3 BEEN AMAZING, THE EFFICIENCIES THAT THEY HAVE CARRIED OUT, THE  
4 STAFF HAS WORKED VERY, VERY HARD, AND IF NOT, I THINK THE  
5 OVERCROWDING WOULD BE SEVERE EVERY SINGLE DAY, BUT I'M  
6 GRATEFUL TO THE STAFF AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C., THEY DO AN  
7 OUTSTANDING JOB AND THEY MANAGE THE OVERCROWDING ON A REGULAR  
8 BASIS. UNFORTUNATELY IT'S COSTING US AN AWFUL LOT OF MONEY  
9 WHEN WE HAVE TO TRANSFER OUR PATIENTS TO PRIVATE HOSPITALS, WE  
10 PAY THE FULL TICKET FOR THAT, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, WE WANT TO  
11 TAKE A REASONABLE APPROACH, WE WANT TO STUDY, WE WANT TO HAVE  
12 A BACKUP PLAN AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE WANT TO WAIT TO SEE  
13 HOW HEALTHCARE REFORM WILL IMPACT L.A. COUNTY. WE WILL ALWAYS  
14 BE THE SAFETY NET HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND I'M VERY  
15 PROUD THAT WE ALWAYS HAVE BEEN. IT IS UNFORTUNATE HOW OTHER  
16 COUNTIES HAVE TURNED THEIR BACK ON INDIGENT HEALTHCARE. I HOPE  
17 THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS THE STATE WILL  
18 RECOGNIZE THAT IN THESE COMMUNITIES, WE WILL ALWAYS HAVE A  
19 GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE NO ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE INSURANCE  
20 WHATSOEVER AND SO THE COUNTY OR THE WELL BEING OF THE ENTIRE  
21 COUNTY WILL ALWAYS BE THERE AND PROVIDE THAT SAFETY NET. SO  
22 THAT'S WHAT THIS MOTION IS ABOUT, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR  
23 SUPPORT SO THAT WE CAN START PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE.

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25 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. LET ME  
5 JUST SIMPLY UNDERSCORE WHAT I THINK AND FRANKLY WHY I CHOSE TO  
6 SECOND THE CHAIR'S MOTION. I THINK PUBLIC POLICY AT ITS BEST  
7 ANTICIPATES CHALLENGES THAT ARE AHEAD OF US, AND TO THE EXTENT  
8 WE CAN THINK THROUGH OUR READINESS, OUR PREPAREDNESS FOR  
9 HEALTH REFORM AND THINK ABOUT THE APPROPRIATE CONTINGENCIES TO  
10 FILL THE GAP TO MAKE SURE THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH THIS  
11 PARTICULAR FACILITY, THIS EXTRAORDINARY FACILITY, FINDS ITSELF  
12 WITH RESPECT TO EMERGENCY SERVICES AND OVERCROWDING AND THE  
13 LIKE. IT IS MY JUDGMENT THAT WE ARE ACTING PRUDENTLY, WE ARE  
14 ACTING WISELY, WE ARE ACTING PROACTIVELY. GOOD PUBLIC POLICY  
15 SIMPLY DOES THAT. IT ANTICIPATES AND IT REPAIRS. I TAKE THIS  
16 MOTION AS AN ATTEMPT TO DO PRECISELY THAT. DECISIONS OF THE  
17 PAST ARE PRECISELY THAT. WE CAN MOVE FORWARD, BUILD ON THEM,  
18 CORRECT THEM, DO WHAT IS NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF A  
19 STRONGER, MORE SERVICEABLE EMERGENCY SERVICES SAFETY NET.  
20 THAT'S NOT SIMPLY A MATTER OF CONCERN FOR THE MEDICALLY  
21 INDIGENT ALONE. IT IS A MATTER OF THE WELL BEING OF THE  
22 ENTIRETY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ITS RESIDENTS. IT  
23 MEANS BOTH THE PUBLIC HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM AS WELL AS  
24 THE PRIVATE HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM, AND SO MY VIEW IS  
25 RATHER STRAIGHTFORWARD. THIS MAKES GOOD SENSE. NOTHING WRONG



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1 WITH CONTINGENCIES. THE MORE WE LEARN AS A RESULT OF THE  
2 REPORT BACK PURSUANT TO THE DIRECTIVES IN THE MOTION, THE  
3 BETTER OFF WE'LL BE. MADAM CHAIRE, I'M GLAD TO BE ABLE TO  
4 SECOND THE MOTION WITH YOU.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, I SUPPORT THIS AS WELL. I WOULD JUST  
9 LIKE TO ADD A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THAT AS RELATES TO THE  
10 DETAILED CONTINGENCY PLAN THAT WE INCLUDE ALL COUNTY HOSPITALS  
11 IN MAKING THAT-- BECAUSE I THINK IT SORT OF FITS IN WITH SOME  
12 OF YOUR COMMENTS. OBVIOUSLY I WANT TO ENSURE THAT THERE'S NO  
13 DELAY IN THE L.A.C.+U.S.C. CONTINGENCY PLAN WHICH CALLS FOR A  
14 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN 90 DAYS, BUT I THINK IT WOULD BE  
15 APPROPRIATE BASED ON OUR NEEDS AND BASED ON THE INFORMATION  
16 WE'RE GETTING THAT WE EXPAND IT TO INCLUDE ALL COUNTY  
17 HOSPITALS.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ANYONE ELSE? WE DO HAVE TWO  
20 SPEAKERS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** QUESTIONS RELATIVE, I WANT TO ASK MR.  
23 FUJIOKA, WHILE WE AGREE THAT THE CONCERNS THAT THE CAPACITY  
24 FOR THE EMERGENCY ROOMS, WE NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BEFORE  
25 ANY TYPE OF DECISION COULD MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE TYPES OF



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1 RECOMMENDATIONS. FIRST QUESTION, WHEN DOES THE DEPARTMENT  
2 PRESENT A TRANSFORMATION PLAN TO THE BOARD WHICH WOULD DETAIL  
3 THE PROGRAMMATIC, CLINICAL AND OPERATIONAL CHANGES REQUIRING  
4 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE H.M.A. REPORT TO FULFILL THE  
5 COMMITMENTS MADE IN THE STATE WAIVER PROPOSAL THAT WE HAD AND  
6 MEET THOSE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM?

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING NOT ONLY  
9 THAT PLAN, CONSISTENT WITH THE PRIOR BOARD MOTION BUT I THINK--  
10 - I FEEL THAT WHAT'S BEFORE US TODAY BECOMES AN ELEMENT OF OUR  
11 OVERALL PLAN AND HOW WE GET READY NOT ONLY FOR OUR OBLIGATIONS  
12 UNDER THE NEW WAIVER, BUT ANTICIPATION OF HEALTH REFORM. AND  
13 SO I DON'T HAVE THAT EXACT DATE WHEN WE'RE GOING TO COME BACK  
14 WITH H.M.A. PLAN. WE'VE BEEN MEETING ON IT, WE'RE IN  
15 NEGOTIATIONS RIGHT NOW WITH OUR POTENTIAL PARTNER ON THIS  
16 ISSUE. I'D BE HAPPY TO TO COME BACK NEXT WEEK WITH A MORE  
17 DEFINITIVE TIMELINE, BUT WE ARE AT THE TABLE WITH OUR  
18 POTENTIAL PARTNER, BUT IT'S-- AGAIN, IT'S SOMETHING THAT I  
19 THINK IT WOULD BE PRUDENT MANAGEMENT TO START OUR PLANNING NOT  
20 ONLY FOR WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS, BUT  
21 WHAT HAPPENS AS WE GET CLOSER TO 2014.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE A TIMELINE ON WHEN THE BOARD WILL  
24 BE RECEIVING THE TRANSPORTATION COSTS WHICH WOULD INCLUDE THE  
25 ANALYSIS OF UPGRADES OF IMPROVEMENTS TO INFORMATION



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1 TECHNOLOGY, THE CLINICAL STAFFING FOR SPECIALTY IN PRIMARY  
2 CARE, ADDITIONAL CLINICS AND CONTRACTS MEET THE ACCESS  
3 REQUIREMENTS BOTH INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL MARKETING AND  
4 INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS?

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, THAT'S WHAT WE'RE WORKING ON RIGHT NOW,  
7 AND IF YOU-- I WILL REPORT BACK, IF YOU LIKE, BY NEXT WEEK  
8 WITH A MORE DEFINITIVE TIMELINE.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE ANY PROJECTIONS ON THE NUMBER OF  
11 CURRENT D.H.S. PATIENTS WHO WOULD BE INSURED AS A RESULT OF  
12 BOTH THE PROPOSED WAIVER AND THE HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM?

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK-- I BELIEVE, LOOKING AT TODAY'S  
15 MOTION, THAT THAT'S A CRITICAL ELEMENT OF THAT MOTION, AND SO  
16 DURING THE NEXT 90 DAYS, WE'LL INCORPORATE THAT INTO OUR  
17 REPORT. IT'S-- I THINK WITH HEALTH REFORM, ALTHOUGH WE SEE THE  
18 CURRENT VERSION, IT'S HIGHLY LIKELY, I THINK IT'S REASONABLE  
19 TO EXPECT THAT IT'S GOING TO GO THROUGH AN EVOLUTIONARY  
20 PROCESS. THERE'S GOING TO BE THE STARTING POINT AS WE KNOW  
21 NOW, BUT AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND AS WE DEVELOP PARTNERSHIPS  
22 WITH SOME OF THE OTHER COMMUNITY PROVIDERS, IT'S GOING TO  
23 START TO EVOLVE INTO SOMETHING DIFFERENT, SO WE'LL -- WE'RE  
24 GOING TO SIT DOWN AND TALK TO A LOT OF FOLKS IN THE INDUSTRY  
25 AND WE'LL DO THE BEST JOB POSSIBLE, BUT RIGHT NOW, IT'S GOING





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1 TO BE DIFFICULT TO PREDICT HOW MANY PEOPLE ACTUALLY WILL GET  
2 INSURANCE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE GAP ANALYSIS RELATIVE TO COMPARING THE  
5 POTENTIALLY NEW INSURED POPULATION OF THE CURRENT HEALTHCARE  
6 SYSTEM UNDER MANAGED CARE REQUIREMENTS, ET CETERA, YOU REALLY  
7 DON'T HAVE ANY INFORMATION.

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THERE'S A LOT OF FOLKS WHO ARE WORKING ON THAT  
10 RIGHT NOW. I'M JUST SAYING THAT BECAUSE THIS MOTION, WE HAVE  
11 OUR H.M.A. REPORT THAT WE'RE WORKING ON, THAT FITS INTO HOW WE  
12 TRANSITION OUR SYSTEM INTO A SYSTEM WITH A STRONG PARTNER LIKE  
13 L.A. CARE AND TO BE PART OF THEIR PROVIDER NETWORK. THERE ARE  
14 A LOT OF ELEMENTS INVOLVED WITH THIS, SO IT'S NOT A SIMPLE--  
15 IT'S NOT A SIMPLE ANALYSIS, BUT WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF  
16 DEVELOPING THAT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, THEN, GIVEN THE UNCERTAINTY SURROUNDING  
19 THE FUNDING THROUGH THE F.M.A.P., THE WAIVER THAT EXPIRES THIS  
20 YEAR AND THE PROVIDER FEE, WHAT STEPS WOULD THE DEPARTMENT BE  
21 TAKING TO ADDRESS THE POTENTIAL FUNDING SHORTFALL IF THE  
22 ANTICIPATED REVENUE DOES NOT MATERIALIZE? FURTHER, GIVEN ALL  
23 OF THE BUDGET FORECASTS OF \$600 MILLION FOR FISCAL YEAR  
24 2010/'11, HOW DO YOU INTEND TO FUND THE CAPITAL AND  
25 OPERATIONAL COSTS NECESSARY FOR ADDITIONAL BEDS?



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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO SEPARATE ON THE  
3 SHORT-TERM ISSUE WHAT'S HAPPENING RIGHT NOW WITH RESPECT TO  
4 THESE OTHER-- AS WE CHARACTERIZE THEM AS PLACE HOLDERS, THE  
5 SHORT-TERM VERSUS KIND OF LONG-TERM PERSPECTIVE, LONG-TERM  
6 PLANS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. HEALTH REFORM WILL  
7 BE IMPLEMENTED IN PHASES, WITH 2014 BEING PROBABLY THE LARGEST  
8 PHASE, BUT WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY-- BECAUSE TO SAY WHERE WE'RE  
9 AT TODAY WILL BE WILL WE'LL BE AT IN FOUR YEARS, I DON'T THINK  
10 I WOULD REACH THAT CONCLUSION. TODAY IS AN ISSUE THAT WE'RE  
11 DEALING WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET, WE'RE DEALING WITH THE  
12 WAIVER, THE PROVIDER FEE AND F.M.A.P. AND SO ON, BUT HEALTH  
13 REFORM BRINGS A NUMBER OF CHALLENGES, BUT ALSO A NUMBER OF  
14 OPPORTUNITIES. WE DO KNOW THAT A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WILL BECOME  
15 INSURED. THAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE. A SIGNIFICANT PART OF THE  
16 POPULATION WE CURRENTLY SERVE WOULD BECOME INSURED. THE KEY I  
17 THINK FOR THE SURVIVAL OF OUR DEPARTMENT WITH THAT OVERALL  
18 SYSTEM, IS WHAT WE DO NOW STARTING TODAY WITH INSURING WE  
19 RETAIN PART OF THAT POPULATION WHO GETS INSURANCE. WE'LL HAVE  
20 A FAIRER SOURCE, SO WE'LL INCORPORATE THAT INTO OUR ANALYSIS,  
21 BUT WE HAVE TO PUT IT IN ITS-- KIND OF DIFFERENT BOXES. THE  
22 FINANCIAL PROBLEMS TODAY, WE SHOULDN'T ASSUME THEY WOULD CARRY  
23 OVER FOUR YEARS FROM NOW BECAUSE THE FINANCES WILL BE ENTIRELY  
24 DIFFERENT FOUR YEARS FROM NOW.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE A NUMBER OF LICENSED UNBUDGETED  
2   BED FOR EACH OF OUR HOSPITALS BY SERVICE TYPE?

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4   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE THAT. I DON'T HAVE IT FOR YOU TODAY,  
5   BUT AS PART OF OUR REPORT BACK, WE WOULD INCLUDE THAT  
6   INFORMATION. AS WE LOOK AT THE SYSTEM IN ITS ENTIRETY, IT'S  
7   ONLY APPROPRIATE THAT WE LOOK AT WHAT'S EXISTING IN ADDITION  
8   TO WHAT IS NEEDED GIVEN TO BE RESPONSIVE TO TODAY'S MOTION.

9

10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE QUESTION REALLY COMES TO HOW DO YOU MOVE  
11   FORWARD ON AN ACTION DIRECTING STAFF RELATIVE TO MAJOR CAPITAL  
12   AND OPERATIONAL PLANNING REVENUE ANTICIPATIONS, EXPECTATIONS,  
13   WHEN WE DON'T HAVE ALL OF THIS INFORMATION RELATIVE TO COSTS  
14   OR THE, AS YOU SAY, THE WORK IS IN PROGRESS, ALL OF THOSE  
15   DETAILS NECESSARY TO TAKE ACTION ON SUCH A PROPOSAL.

16

17   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT TODAY'S MOTION SPEAKS TO A  
18   STUDY IN ASKING US TO COMPILE THAT INFORMATION, AND I THINK  
19   ONCE WE HAVE ALL THAT INFORMATION IN HAND, THEN THE DECISION  
20   COULD BE MADE. BUT YOU'RE RIGHT, WE NEED THAT INFORMATION, AND  
21   SO THERE'S A LOT THAT'S BEEN ASKED, THERE'S A LOT OF DIFFERENT  
22   AREAS OF NOT ONLY D.H.S., BUT FEDERAL LEGISLATION TO EVEN  
23   WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE STATE LEVEL, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO  
24   ANALYZE THEM, BRING BACK TO THE BOARD, AND SO ONCE WE GO



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1 THROUGH THAT PROCESS, THEN THE POLICY DECISION CAN BE MADE ON  
2 WHAT THE NEXT STEPS WILL BE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THE PROPOSAL BEFORE US TODAY DOES NOT  
5 INCLUDE DEVELOPING PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO MEET THE  
6 VARIOUS NEEDS THAT THE MEDICAL FACILITY REQUIRES OR WILL HAVE.

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** LIKE I MENTIONED, AS WE MOVE FORWARD, WHETHER  
9 IT'S TODAY WITH THE PROSPECTS OF A NEW WAIVER AND WITH THAT,  
10 THE OPERATIONAL DEMANDS THAT WILL BE IMPOSED NOT ONLY BY THE  
11 STATE BUT ALSO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, AND THAT'S SHORT-TERM,  
12 BUT ALSO LONG-TERM AS WE PREPARE FOR HEALTH REFORM, THIS BOARD  
13 AND OUR RESPECTIVE STAFF IN THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS WILL BE  
14 BRINGING A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT PACKAGES TO THE BOARD FOR  
15 CONSIDERATION. IT WON'T BE ONE BIG PACKAGE BECAUSE AS WE MOVE  
16 FORWARD, WE'RE GOING TO TALK TO ABOUT OUR CAPITAL NEEDS, WE'LL  
17 TALK TO YOU ABOUT OUR OPERATIONAL NEEDS, WE'LL TALK TO YOU  
18 ABOUT A CHANGE IN THE SHIFT OF OUR-- MAYBE EVEN OUR ACADEMIC  
19 PROGRAMS, BECAUSE IF YOU LOOK AT HEALTH REFORM, THERE WILL BE  
20 A GREATER EMPHASIS ON GENERAL MED, FAMILY MEDICINE, THERE WILL  
21 BE AN EMPHASIS ON DEVELOPING A MEDICAL HOME, AND WHERE WILL  
22 THOSE MEDICAL HOMES BE IN OUR SYSTEM? WILL IT BE IN OUR  
23 FACILITIES OR WILL THEY BE IN OUR COMMUNITY CLINICS? THAT'S  
24 ANOTHER MOTION, ANOTHER STUDY WE'LL HAVE TO BRING TO YOU. THIS  
25 WILL BE-- THERE WILL BE MANY, MANY DISCUSSIONS, POLICY



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1 DISCUSSIONS WE HAVE AS WE MOVE TOWARDS 2014, BUT EVEN ONCE WE  
2 HAVE THE FINAL WAIVER, THE NEW WAIVER IN PLACE, THAT HAS TO BE  
3 IN PLACE IN THE LATTER PART OF AUGUST, SO I SEE THIS AS JUST  
4 ONE STUDY OF MANY STUDIES.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU HAVE EXISTING STAFF THAT'S ABLE TO DO  
7 ALL OF THESE QUESTIONS, ANSWER ALL OF THESE QUESTIONS THAT I  
8 WAS RAISING AND OTHERS HAVE RAISED, OR ARE YOU RELYING UPON  
9 CONSULTANTS TO DO IT FOR YOU?

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11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT WILL BE A COMBINATION. WE HAVE SOME STAFF  
12 WHO CAN ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS, WE'LL REACH OUT TO A FEW  
13 CONSULTANTS THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE IN PLACE, THAT HAVE THE  
14 WHEREWITHAL TO DO IT. WE EVEN TALKED TO SOME OF OUR INDUSTRY  
15 PARTNERS BECAUSE SOME OF THIS INFORMATION IS BEING COMPILED BY  
16 CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL ASSOCIATIONS, BEING COMPILED BY THE  
17 CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS, NATIONAL  
18 ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS. WE'RE NOT THE-- AS YOU KNOW,  
19 EVERY SINGLE HEALTHCARE ENTITY, WHETHER IT'S PUBLIC OR PRIVATE  
20 OR NONPROFIT HAS FOLKS LOOKING AT THIS BECAUSE EVERYONE THAT'S  
21 GETTING READY FOR 2014. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I THINK THAT THE  
24 CHALLENGES FOR ALL OF US ARE REALLY SORT OF UNKNOWN. HEALTH  
25 REFORM, WE HOPE, RIGHT NOW IT'S A BASKET THAT HAS SO MANY



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1 EXPECTATIONS AND AS THEY START SORTING OUT REGULATIONS AND HOW  
2 THINGS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED, THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT WE HAVE TO  
3 ALMOST WAIT AND SEE. THE MISTAKE WOULD BE THAT WE WOULD MAKE  
4 IS TO NOT BE TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION HOW TO PLAN FOR IT.  
5 THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT WE ALREADY DO KNOW. THERE IS A  
6 POPULATION THAT THEY WILL NOT BE DEALING WITH AND WE DO KNOW  
7 THAT UNDER STATE LAW WE CONTINUE TO BE THE SAFETY NET, SO  
8 WE'RE KIND OF CAUGHT IN BETWEEN ALL OF IT. WE DID A MOTION  
9 EARLIER AND WE DID HIRE THE PRIVATE CONSULTANTS TO START  
10 LOOKING AT HEALTH REFORM FROM THE STANDPOINT OF HOW TO MAKE  
11 OUR SYSTEM AS ATTRACTIVE AS POSSIBLE TO THAT PATIENT. AGAIN,  
12 BECAUSE WE NEED THAT PAYER MIX IN ORDER TO SUSTAIN THE SAFETY  
13 NET FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY. SO THERE'S A LOT OF UNKNOWNNS, BUT I  
14 THINK THE BIGGEST MISTAKE WE CAN MAKE IS TO NOT PLAN, NOT TO  
15 BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED AND LOOKING AT VARIOUS OPTIONS THAT MIGHT  
16 BE AVAILABLE TO US. UNFORTUNATELY FOR L.A. COUNTY U.S.C., IT  
17 HAS BEEN FACING A SHORTAGE FROM THE DAY THAT IT OPENED. THE  
18 EMERGENCY ROOM IS OVERCROWDED. WE HAVE BEEN FORTUNATE OF  
19 HAVING RANCHO AVAILABLE TO US. MANY OF THE PATIENTS ARE  
20 TRANSFERRED THERE AND WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO SUSTAIN THE  
21 OPERATIONS THERE. WHEN WE HAVE TO GO INTO THE PRIVATE  
22 HOSPITALS, WE ARE PAYING FOR THAT, AND SO EVENTUALLY IT WILL  
23 START ADDING UP AND ADDING UP. SO I THINK THAT THOSE ARE THE  
24 KINDS OF ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE EVALUATED BY THE DEPARTMENT,  
25 THEY HAVE A FULL PLANNING STAFF THERE TO EVALUATE THOSE





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1 ISSUES, TO LOOK AT THOSE TRENDS AND TO START FINDING SOME  
2 MIDDLE GROUND. PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS, I THINK L.A.  
3 COUNTY IS PROBABLY IN THE FOREFRONT OF PUBLIC/PRIVATE  
4 PARTNERSHIPS, BUT AS WE KNOW, THEY AREN'T EXCLUSIVELY PRIVATE,  
5 THEY'RE PUBLIC AS WELL. WE NEED TO PUT MONEY ON THE TABLE. WE  
6 DID THAT THE LAST TIME WHEN WE DID SOME SUPPLEMENTALS TO OUR  
7 PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS IN OUR COUNTY CLINICS AND  
8 HEALTHCARE CLINICS. WE NEED TO DO MORE OF THAT, SO WE NEED TO  
9 LOOK AT ALL ASPECTS OF HEALTHCARE REFORM, WE NEED TO LOOK AT  
10 ALL ASPECTS OF HEALTH DELIVERY OVERALL. THERE IS GOING TO BE A  
11 TREMENDOUS CHANGE, BUT AT THE END, I HOPE IT ISN'T LIKE  
12 TODAY'S SITUATION, WHERE WE HAVE, UNFORTUNATELY, A CONGRESS  
13 THAT'S NOT RECOGNIZING AND UNDERSTANDING THE KIND OF WORK THAT  
14 WE DO IN OUR COUNTY HOSPITALS. WE ARE BUT A FEW COUNTIES THAT  
15 UNDERTAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY AS WE DO, AS ASSERTIVELY AS WE  
16 DO, IN THE WHOLE AREA OF HEALTHCARE. THE STATE AS WELL, EVEN  
17 WITH ALL OF ITS PROBLEMS, DO NOT RECOGNIZE HOW SIGNIFICANT  
18 THESE COUNTY HOSPITALS, THE KIND OF ROLE THAT THEY PLAY AS FAR  
19 AS THE WELL BEING OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY. SO HOPEFULLY AS THEY  
20 SORT OF ALL OF THEIR ISSUES AND ALL OF THEIR PROBLEMS, THEY  
21 ARE GOING TO START ADDRESSING THE ISSUES OF HOW L.A. COUNTY IS  
22 TAKING ON AN UNBELIEVABLE TASK OF CARRYING OUT AND MOVING  
23 FORWARD THE PUBLIC WELL BEING OF AN ENTIRE COUNTY BY THE KIND  
24 OF SERVICES THAT WE ARE PROVIDING AT ALL OF OUR COUNTY  
25 HOSPITALS, SO THIS IS A PLANNING DOCUMENT. HOPEFULLY WE'LL GET



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1 A REPORT BACK OF SOME IDEA AND ALONG THE WAY WE'LL BE REFINING  
2 EVERY SINGLE APPROACH. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT HEALTHCARE REFORM  
3 WILL BRING. WE HOPE IT WILL ALLEVIATE US OF MANY OF THE  
4 PATIENTS THAT WILL BE GOING TO PRIVATE HOSPITALS, BUT WE ALSO  
5 KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING TO NEED SOME OF THEM AS WELL TO COME TO  
6 OUR HOSPITAL WITH THEIR INSURANCE SO WE CAN SUSTAIN, CONTINUE  
7 TO SUSTAIN OUR SAFETY NET, SO IT'S AN IMPORTANT MOTION AND IT  
8 MERITS YOUR SUPPORT. WE DO HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO WISH TO ADDRESS  
9 US. I'M GOING TO ASK ARNOLD SACHS AND GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL TO  
10 PLEASE JOIN US, AND ARNOLD, WHEN YOU'RE COMING UP, WOULD YOU  
11 PLEASE ADDRESS ITEM 27 AND 36, IF YOU WOULD, AND DR. CLAVREUL,  
12 IF YOU'D ALSO ADDRESS 17 AND 30-- OR 20, I'M SORRY.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, COUNTY BOARD OF  
15 SUPERVISORS. AROUND SACHS. ITEM NUMBER TWO, THE HOSPITAL  
16 PLANS, AND I WAS WONDERING, SINCE YOU ARE INTENT ON POURING  
17 MONEY INTO THIS PROGRAM, HAVE YOU CONSIDERED OR RECONSIDERED  
18 OR THOUGHT, RECENTLY YOU HAD AN ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA REGARDING  
19 RENOVATING THE COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING DIAGONALLY ACROSS FROM  
20 YOU, AND YOU DECIDED YOU DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT ABOUT EIGHT  
21 YEARS AGO BECAUSE IT WAS TOO EXPENSIVE. HAVE YOU LOOKED INTO  
22 REOPENING ANY OF THE CLINICS THAT YOU CLOSED, LIKE, THREE  
23 YEARS AGO AND PUTTING THOSE PEOPLE INTO THE EMERGENCY ROOM  
24 CYCLE, THE MOST EXPENSIVE CLINICAL CARE THERE IS, EMERGENCY  
25 ROOM CARE? HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THE OPTION OF REOPENING SOME



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1 CLINICS THAT WOULD ELIMINATE THE NEED BECAUSE NOW THAT PEOPLE  
2 GO TO EMERGENCY ROOMS FOR CARE, FOR WHATEVER PURPOSE THEY'RE  
3 GOING FOR, IT'S MULTIPLIED BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GO FOR  
4 THE CUTS AND THE BRUISES AND THE SCRAPES AND THE MINOR  
5 DISABILITIES, THEY'RE GOING TO WAIT UNTIL IT BECOMES MAJOR,  
6 WHICH INFLICTS MORE NECESSITY OF CARE, INCREASES THE DEGREE OF  
7 SERVICE THAT'S REQUIRED WHICH INCREASES THE COST. SO AGAIN,  
8 SINCE YOU'VE RECONSIDERED REOPENING THE COUNTY BUILDING  
9 DIAGONALLY DOWN THE STREET, HAVE YOU CONSIDERED OR HAVE YOU  
10 LOOKED AT THE STUDY WHAT IT WOULD COST BASED ON THIS  
11 HEALTHCARE REFORM TO REOPEN SOME CLINICS THAT YOU CLOSED TWO  
12 YEARS AGO. THAT'S MY COMMENTS ON ITEM NUMBER 2.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 27, 30 AND 42. GO AHEAD.

15

16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OKAY. ITEM 27. ITEM 27 REFERS AGAIN, THIS IS  
17 REFERRING TO THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AND THE THE LIBRARY.  
18 WILL THERE BE FUNDS. THIS IS NOT ANYTHING TO DEAL WITH-- THIS  
19 IS JUST THE DESIGNING AND CONSTRUCTION, BECAUSE THERE ARE TWO  
20 SEPARATE STEPS AND HAVING GONE THROUGH THE AIRPORT AND THE  
21 DESIGNING AND THE CONSTRUCTION FOR THE RENOVATIONS AT TOM  
22 BRADLEY AND OTHER DESIGNING AND CONSTRUCTION AND YOU JUST HAD  
23 SOME MONEY FOR LIBRARY IN LENNOX, 25.5 MILLION DOLLARS, THAT  
24 WON'T BUY YOU GRAPH PAPER, SO WILL THERE BE MONEY LEFT OVER  
25 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS? DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT THE



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1 CONSTRUCTION COSTS ARE GOING TO BE? DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT  
2 THE DESIGNING COSTS ARE GOING TO BE, OR IS THIS JUST  
3 CONTRIBUTING TO THAT COST? THAT'S ITEM 27.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 42.

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM 36. THIS IS REFURBISHMENT OF ROADS CONTRACT  
8 AND THIS IS A SOUTH BAY SITUATION. PLEASE, PLEASE, GET A DATE  
9 FOR SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD TO BE REOPENED AS IT WAS FULLY  
10 INTENDED WHEN IT WAS WIDENED. SUPERVISOR KNABE, I APPRECIATE  
11 THE WORK YOUR OFFICE DID FOR ME. I'M FINDING OUT SOME ANSWERS,  
12 BUT NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE. THE ROAD WAS CLOSED FOR THIS MALL  
13 AND BUSINESSES HAVE CLOSED UP AND THE ROADS STILL CLOSED.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUMMARIZE, MR. SACHS.

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM 42. I WILL DO THAT ONE AND THEN WE WILL BE  
18 DONE, MADAME CHAIR. THIS IS A D.N.A. CONSULTING AGREEMENT. I  
19 WAS JUST WONDERING, HAS THIS AGREEMENT BEEN INCREASED? WHAT  
20 WILL IT PAY FOR? WHAT IS THE BACKLOG ON THE D.N.A. AND HAS IT  
21 BEEN AT THIS AMOUNT IN THE PREVIOUS PERIODS OR IS THIS A  
22 BRAND-NEW AGREEMENT THAT THE COUNTY IS SIGNING IN ADDITION TO  
23 OTHER D.N.A. FUNDING, AND WILL THIS BE USED FOR ALL D.N.A.  
24 KITS, WILL IT BE USED JUST FOR A BACKLOG ON THE--?

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. DR. CLAVREUL.

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3    **ARNOLD SACHS:** I HATE TO HOLD UP GOVERNMENT.

4

5    **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ON NUMBER TWO, I'D  
6    LIKE TO KNOW HOW YOU CAME UP TO THE MAGIC NUMBER OF 150 BEDS.  
7    I JUST WANT TO KNOW IF YOU MADE SOME FINANCIAL FORECAST  
8    BECAUSE THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE WHEN YOU BUILD A HOSPITAL,  
9    THE NUMBER OF BEDS. IS THERE AN AMOUNT WHERE YOU HAVE A FIXED  
10    COST AND THOSE FIXED COSTS DO NOT CHANGE UNTIL YOU BUILD SOME  
11    MORE BEDS, AND I THINK YOU REALLY HAVE TO LOOK AT IT FROM THE  
12    POSITION OF FINANCIALLY VIABLE SOLUTION. I DON'T HAVE THE  
13    FIGURES, SO I CANNOT CALCULATE IF IT'S A GOOD THING OR NOT.  
14    DEFINITELY YOU NEED TO BE EXPANDED, YOU KNOW. I THINK YOU  
15    SHOULD DO BETTER JOB AT MARKETING THAT HOSPITAL. I SEE YOU  
16    HAVE SUPERB PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS THAT NO PLACE ELSE IN THE  
17    COMMUNITY HAS, AND LET PEOPLE KNOW YOU ACCEPT INSURANCE, AND  
18    YOU HAVE NICE ROOMS NOW, IT'S GORGEOUS, AND I THINK THAT NEEDS  
19    TO BE ADVERTISED. PEOPLE DON'T KNOW, THE WHOLE COUNTY. IF YOU  
20    HAVE A CHOICE BETWEEN A SMALL PRIVATE HOSPITAL THAT LOOK  
21    FANTASTIC AND SO-SO SURGEON AND A TOP SURGEON, I WOULD GO TO  
22    THE TOP SURGEON, BUT, YOU KNOW, I'M IN HEALTHCARE AND I THINK  
23    YOU SHOULD REALLY INCREASE IT, YOU KNOW. HINDSIGHT IS ALWAYS  
24    BETTER THAN FORESIGHT, BUT I THINK YOU DID NOT MAKE A VERY  
25    EDUCATED DECISION WHEN YOU LIMITED THE SITE OF THE NEW U.S.C.



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1 MEDICAL CENTER. I THINK IT WAS DONE WITHOUT ALL OF ITS  
2 INFORMATION YOU NEEDED TO MAKE THAT DECISION. IT'S THE SAME.  
3 IT'S 650 BEDS AT THE SAME FIXED COST, 9750 OR SO. I DON'T KNOW  
4 THE FIGURE RIGHT NOW, BUT IT'S EASY TO CALCULATE, AND IT WILL  
5 COST YOU NO MORE, AFTER THE HOSPITAL WAS BUILT, TO MANAGE IT  
6 WITH 750 BEDS VERSUS 650, SO I HOPE THIS TIME YOU HAVE  
7 CONSULTANTS. I ALWAYS HEAR THE NAME OF CONSULTANT, BUT WE  
8 NEVER KNOW WHERE THOSE CONSULTANTS ARE, AND I THINK WE SHOULD  
9 KNOW AND WE SHOULD KNOW THEIR PAST EXPERIENCE, SO I HOPE YOU  
10 ARE DOING DUE DILIGENCE AND GET THE RIGHT PEOPLE. WHEN YOU'RE  
11 TALKING ABOUT HEALTHCARE REFORM, I SHOULD CALL IT HEALTHCARE  
12 CATASTROPHE, BECAUSE EVERYTHING IN HEALTHCARE REFORM IS A  
13 CATASTROPHE, ESPECIALLY WITH THE NEW PERSON APPOINTED AS  
14 C.M.S. I THINK DR. DONALD BESTWICK WOULD BELIEVE IN RATIONING  
15 CARE AND ALL OF THAT IS NOT GOING TO BE A PIECE OF CAKE ON  
16 HEALTHCARE IN THE NEXT YOUR IN THE UNITED STATES. I MIGHT HAVE  
17 TO GO BACK TO PARIS. THAT'S TOUGH BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO. I  
18 LOVE IT HERE. BUT I THINK WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A LOT OF  
19 PROBLEM, AND YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE UNINSURED. SOME OF THE  
20 FIGURES WE KNOW NOW, PEOPLE WHO HAVE PREEXISTING CONDITIONS  
21 WILL BE INSURED, BUT THEY MUST PAY AT LEAST \$900 A MONTH. HOW  
22 MANY OF YOU CAN AFFORD INSURANCE OF \$900 A MONTH? THAT'S  
23 STUPID. \_\_\_\_\_ TO BE MADE. ON NUMBER 17, ABOUT THE NEW  
24 M.L.K. AND U.C. REGENT. I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE 501(C)3.  
25 I HAVE HEARD NUMEROUS RUMORS ON WHO IS ON THE SO-CALLED NEW





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1 BOARD AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW THEY ARE BEING SELECTED.  
2 SOME PEOPLE SAY THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN SELECTED. I HAVE SEEN  
3 NO ADVERTISEMENT TO SUBMIT RESUME, OR WHATEVER. I DON'T WANT  
4 TO BE ON THE BOARD UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, I'M NOT TALKING  
5 ABOUT ME, BUT IT WOULD BE NICE IF SOMEBODY WHO WANTED TO APPLY  
6 HAD THE OPPORTUNITY. A LITTLE TRANSPARENCY WILL BE NICE. ON  
7 NUMBER 20, S.E.I.U. AND THE WORKER EDUCATION. I AM REALLY  
8 CONCERNED WHEN I SEE OVER A MILLION DOLLAR GO TO S.E.I.U. TO  
9 SO-CALLED EDUCATE THE WORKFORCE. YOU KNOW, WE ALL HAVE BEEN  
10 READING IN THE NEWSPAPER ABOUT THE QUALITY OF NURSING, MEDICAL  
11 CARE GIVEN IN THE COUNTY. WE HAVE A LOT OF PROBLEMS AND  
12 MEANWHILE, WE HAVE BEEN PAYING THE S.E.I.U. TO SO-CALLED BE  
13 PART OF THE WORKFORCE, BUT OF COURSE WHEN YOU UTILIZE UNIONS  
14 TO GET MONEY FOR YOU, YOU DON'T CAMPAIGN, SO BUT I THINK  
15 SOMEBODY SHOULD LOOK AT THAT AND THE CONTRACT SHOULD NOT BE  
16 RENEWED. GIVE THE CHANCE TO SOMEBODY TO ALSO APPLY.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** TODAY I WANT TO CITE YOU ON THE BROWN  
21 ACT AND DEMAND THAT YOU CORRECT AND CURE. YOU VIOLATE  
22 CONSTANTLY THE BROWN ACT BECAUSE YOU FORCE US TO TESTIFY FOR  
23 THE ALL OF THEM AT THE SAME TIME. THAT'S NOT APPROPRIATE. AND  
24 I THINK YOU SHOULD FOLLOW THE BOTH THE INTENT AND THE SPIRIT



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1 OF THE LAW. I'M NOT COMPLAINING ABOUT MYSELF BECAUSE YOU HAVE  
2 BEEN VERY KIND TO LET ME TALK MOST OF THE TIME WHEN I WANT TO.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. ALL RIGHT. ON  
5 ITEM NUMBER 2, MOVED BY MYSELF, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
6 THOMAS. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH OBJECTS.  
7 IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. ON THE REMAINING ITEMS, 27,  
8 36, 17, 20 AS WELL AS 42, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED  
9 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED  
10 ON THOSE ITEMS. ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO  
11 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS SPECIALS. 2, 27, 36, 17.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 42. THANKS.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,  
16 YOUR SPECIALS.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOUR SPECIALS. HE'S NOT AVAILABLE.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE AN ADJOURNING MOTION.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, THANK YOU. I HAVE TWO  
2    ADJOURNING MOTIONS TODAY. FIRST, SADDENED TO HAVE TO ADJOURN  
3    IN THE MEMORY OF MAXWELL HILLARY SALTER, OTHERWISE AS WE ALL  
4    KNEW HIM, "SONNY" SALTER, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE OF OUR  
5    DISTRICT WHO PASSED AWAY LAST WEEK AT THE AGE OF 90. SONNY  
6    SALTER WAS A FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS, SERVED  
7    TWO TERMS ON THE CITY COUNCIL OF BEVERLY HILLS, HAD A GREAT  
8    INFLUENCE ON THAT CITY COUNCIL AND ON THE CITY ITSELF. HE WAS  
9    ACTIVE IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY, WAS PRESIDENT OF TEMPLE BETH  
10   AM, ONE OF THE LARGEST CONSERVATIVE CONGREGATIONS IN LOS  
11   ANGELES, A STRONG SUPPORTER OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL, DESCRIBED  
12   BY FRIENDS AND FAMILY AS A MAN OF BOUNDLESS ENERGY AND  
13   OPTIMISM. HE WAS KNOWN FOR HIS GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR AND DEEP  
14   PERSONAL INTEGRITY. I'VE KNOWN SONNY AND HIS WIFE, JANET, FOR  
15   ALMOST 40 YEARS. HE WAS A GREAT FRIEND OF BARBARA'S AND MINE  
16   AND GREAT SUPPORTER OF ALL THE CAUSES I WAS EVER INVOLVED IN  
17   LONG BEFORE I GOT INTO POLITICS, AND IT'S A GREAT PERSONAL  
18   LOSS TO US. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE-- SONNY IS SURVIVED BY  
19   HIS WIFE OF 68 YEARS, JANET SALTER, TWO DAUGHTERS, PEPPER  
20   EDMISTON, JOE EDMISTON'S WIFE, LAURA SHIELDS, AND A SON  
21   MICHAEL, 12 GRANDCHILDREN AND SIX GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. I'D  
22   LIKE TO ASK ALL MEMBERS TO JOIN ME IN THAT. BARBARA  
23   GOLDENBERG, LONG-TIME CONSTITUENT OF OUR DISTRICT AND A PILLAR  
24   OF THE BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 82. HER  
25   FRIENDS REMEMBER HER BEAUTY, GRACE, STYLE, GENEROSITY,



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1 INTELLIGENCE AND WIT. SHE AND HER LATE HUSBAND WERE PASSIONATE  
2 ART COLLECTORS AND A DEEP INTEREST IN GARDENING INHERITED FROM  
3 HER FATHER, WHICH LED HER TO PURSUE A CAREER IN LANDSCAPE  
4 ARCHITECTURE, AND A LIFELONG PASSION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL  
5 PROTECTION AND COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION. AMONG HER CHERISHED  
6 CAUSES WERE THE ETHNIC ARTS COUNCIL, U.C.L.A.'S FOWLER MUSEUM  
7 AND THE MILDRED MATHIAS BOTANICAL GARDEN, AS WELL AS THE URBAN  
8 FORESTRY COUNCIL AND TREE PEOPLE. BARBARA IS SURVIVED BY HER  
9 DAUGHTER AMY AND GRANDSON ALEXANDER. THOSE ARE MY TWO  
10 ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MADAME CHAIR.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. I DON'T  
13 THINK I'M HOLDING ANYTHING, SO I'LL JUST GO AHEAD AND PASS IT  
14 OFF.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. PERMIT  
19 ME TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS. MRS.  
20 BESSIE BICKHAM ALEXANDER, BORN IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, AND  
21 PASSED ON THE 3RD OF THIS YEAR. SHE WAS IN HER LATE 70S. SHE  
22 RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1965 AND AFTER A BRIEF PERIOD IN  
23 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, SHE WAS EMPLOYED WITH THE UNITED STATES  
24 POSTAL SERVICE THROUGH THE DURATION OF HER CAREER AND RETIRED  
25 FROM THAT INSTITUTION. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE ST.



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1 BRIDGET CATHOLIC CHURCH WHERE SHE TAUGHT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION,  
2 FED THE HOMELESS FOR OVER 30 YEARS AND SANG IN THE ST. BRIDGET  
3 GOSPEL CHOIR. SHE WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE WOMEN'S MINISTRY, A  
4 CERTIFIED BEREAVEMENT COUNSELOR AND HELD MEMBERSHIPS IN THE  
5 SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL AND THE ST. PETER CLAVER LADIES  
6 AUXILIARY, COURT NUMBER 259. SHE ALSO WORKED DILIGENTLY TO  
7 RAISE FUNDS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL CHILDREN. SHE WILL BE  
8 REMEMBERED FONDLY FOR HER GIVING HEART AND HER DEDICATION TO  
9 HER FAITH. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER HUSBAND FRED,  
10 HER CHILDREN ADRIAN, DEBORAH, FRED AND PATRICK, HER SISTERS  
11 OSSIE, AND MARY RUTH, 15 GRANDCHILDREN, 25 GREAT  
12 GRANDCHILDREN, A HOST OF FAMILIES-- FAMILY AND FRIENDS.  
13 SECONDLY, MR. ISRAEL THEO HICKS, BORN ON AUGUST 23RD, 1943, IN  
14 ORANGEBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND PASSED ON JULY 3RD OF 2010 AT  
15 THE AGE OF 66. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM BOSTON  
16 UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS IN 1967 AND LATER OBTAINED A  
17 MASTER'S OF FINE ARTS FROM THE NEW YORK UNIVERSITY. HE WAS A  
18 RENOWNED DIRECTOR AND OVERSAW THE WORKS AT THE GUTHRIE THEATRE  
19 IN MINNEAPOLIS, CLEVELAND PLAYHOUSE, PITTSBURGH, PUBLIC  
20 THEATRE, AMERICAN CONSERVATORY THEATRE IN SAN FRANCISCO,  
21 PASADENA PLAYHOUSE, PRIMARY STAGES IN NEW YORK AND THE LIST IS  
22 JUST SIMPLY IMPRESSIVE. MOST NOTABLY FOR HIM, THE DENVER  
23 CENTER THEATRE COMPANY HOUSED AT THE DENVER CENTER FOR THE  
24 PERFORMING ARTS. HE TAUGHT FOR SEVERAL YEARS AT THE CARNEGIE  
25 MELLON UNIVERSITY AND IN THE '70S WAS DEAN OF THE CONSERVATORY



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1 OF THEATER ARTS AT PURCHASE COLLEGE AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF  
2 NEW YORK. HE WAS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR FOR  
3 THEATER ARTS AT MASON GROSS SCHOOL OF ARTS AT THE RUTGERS  
4 UNIVERSITY IN NEW JERSEY WHERE HE WAS THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR AT  
5 THE EBONY REPERTORY THEATRE. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED DISTINCTLY  
6 FOR DIRECTING ALL 10 OF AUGUST WILSON'S PLAYS BETWEEN 1990 AND  
7 2009. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, RENEE, A SIGNIFICANT LOSS TO  
8 OUR COMMUNITY, MADAME CHAIR, MR. ISRAEL THEO HICKS. I THANK  
9 YOU.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. ARE YOU HOLDING ANY ITEMS?

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT CONCLUDES MY ITEMS.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I HAVE A COUPLE OF  
18 ADJOURNMENTS THIS MORNING. FIRST OF ALL, TO ADJOURN IN THE  
19 MEMORY OF ONE OF THE REAL PIONEERS OF MARINA DEL REY AND  
20 THAT'S MR. ABE LURIE, PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY ON JUNE 29TH. HE  
21 WAS 86 YEARS OLD. VERY SUCCESSFUL IN MANY BUSINESS VENTURES.  
22 HE MOSTLY FOCUSED ON DEVELOPING REAL ESTATE, LEAVING AN IMPACT  
23 IN THE COUNTY, IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND BEYOND. HE WAS ONE  
24 OF THE ORIGINAL LESSEES OF MARINA DEL REY AND MANAGED SEVERAL  
25 HOLDINGS AT THE MARINA, WITH HOTELS, DOCKS, CENTERS AND OTHER





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1 COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES. HE WAS A LONG-TIME FRIEND AND  
2 SUPPORTER, WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS.  
3 ABE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE KATHERINE, FOUR CHILDREN, 11  
4 GRANDCHILDREN, FOUR GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND HIS BROTHER, DR.  
5 WILLIAM LURIE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF A GOOD  
6 FRIEND, HARM WIND OF ARTESIA WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 3RD AT  
7 THE AGE OF 72. HE WAS BORN IN BELLFLOWER AND GRADUATED FROM  
8 BELLFLOWER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL. HE WORKED AT WESTERN SUPPLY  
9 PLUMBING COMPANY UNTIL HE RETIRED IN 1979 TO PURSUE HIS  
10 BUSINESS OF RENTAL PROPERTIES. HE WAS A DEACON AND ELDER AT  
11 OUR CHURCH EMMANUEL REFORM CHURCH IN PARAMONT, AND SERVED ON  
12 THE SCHOOL BOARD AT VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS AND THE ARTESIA  
13 CHRISTIAN HOME. HE TRULY LOVED HIS FAMILY AND WORKING WITH HIS  
14 HANDS, FIXING THINGS AND LOVED TO TRAVEL. HE WILL BE MISSED BY  
15 HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HARM IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 53  
16 YEARS, JULIA, FOUR CHILDREN, DEBBIE, RANDALL, DARLA, DANA, 11  
17 GRANDCHILDREN AND A SISTER, CLARA. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE  
18 MEMORY OF RUTH DAVIS ZIMMERMAN, PASSED AWAY IN LONG BEACH ON  
19 JULY 1ST, SHE WAS 95. SHE WAS THE VALEDICTORIAN OF HER HIGH  
20 SCHOOL BACK IN PENNSYLVANIA. SHE WAS A GREAT VOLUNTEER WHO  
21 HELPED MANY PEOPLE AND COMPLETED A THREE VOLUME SET OF HER  
22 FAMILY'S HISTORY. SHE WAS TRULY A MODERN DAY RENAISSANCE WOMAN  
23 WHO LOVED MANY THINGS FROM HORTICULTURE TO ARCHITECTURE TO  
24 ARTS, SCIENCE TRAVELING, LOVED TO READ, WRITE, MOVIES AND  
25 CONCERTS TO NAME JUST A FEW. RUTH IS SURVIVED BY HER SONS



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1 KENNETH AND JOHN AND MANY GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT  
2 GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MADAME CHAIR. MADAME  
3 CHAIR, I THINK ITEM NUMBER 9, SOME PEOPLE HELD THAT.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE BRIAN CHRISTIAN, JOIN  
6 US, RUDY SPIVERY, MARK LEWIS, AND PAM WRIGHT. IF THEY WOULD  
7 JOIN US. ARE THEY NOT HERE? YOU'VE GOT TO COME UP. MR.  
8 CHRISTIAN, IF YOU'D BEGIN.

9

10 **BRIAN CHRISTIAN:** I'LL BE AS BRIEF AS I CAN. I'M HERE ON BEHALF  
11 OF MY STUDENTS WHO NEED TO GO TO A PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THEIR  
12 COMMUNITY WHEN THEY LEAVE THE JUVENILE COURT SCHOOL SYSTEMS,  
13 AND IT'S QUITE SIMPLE. WHEN I WORK WITH THESE STUDENTS, AND  
14 IT'S TIME FOR THEM TO MOVE ON, IT'S A VERY DIFFICULT  
15 TRANSITION, AND THE PLACE WHERE WE PROVIDE THE KINDS OF  
16 SERVICES, THAT FULCRUM WHERE THESE KIDS ARE LEVERAGED BACK  
17 INTO A FUNCTIONAL LIFE HAPPENS IN THESE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS,  
18 IT'S A PLACE WHERE WE CAN PROVIDE A LARGE NUMBER OF THE  
19 NECESSARY SERVICES. ALL OF THE STUDIES TELL US THAT IT'S THOSE  
20 WRAP-AROUND SERVICES THAT ARE MAKING THE DIFFERENCE IN THESE  
21 KIDS' LIVES. THOSE WRAP-AROUND SERVICES THAT HAVE TO BE  
22 PROVIDED AFTER THEY'VE GONE THROUGH WHAT THEY GO THROUGH IN  
23 THE JUVENILE COURT SCHOOLS. YESTERDAY, I HAD A STUDENT,  
24 MICHAEL, WE'LL CALL HIM MICHAEL, WHO CHECKED OUT A BOOK FROM  
25 ME, "WHERE THE RED FERN GROWS." AND IT WAS THE SAME KIND OF



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1 THRILL I GOT WATCHING THE RENEGADES BASKETBALL TEAM JUST NOW  
2 AS A SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER, BECAUSE MICHAEL CAME TO ME  
3 BECAUSE HE WAS IN A VERY VIOLENT GANG-RELATED FIGHT AND HE WAS  
4 READING AT THE SECOND GRADE LEVEL, AND AFTER FOUR MONTHS, HE  
5 DECIDED HE WANTED TO ATTACK THAT BOOK AND THIS GROWTH, THIS  
6 MOVEMENT HAS TO BE SUPPORTED AND I'M HERE BEFORE YOU, THE  
7 HIGHEST, MOST ESTEEMED PUBLIC SERVANTS IN OUR COMMUNITY AS A  
8 FELLOW PUBLIC SERVANT ASKING YOU, PLEASE FIND A WAY. WE HAVE  
9 \$111 MILLION RESERVE IN THE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION. I  
10 DON'T BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND ALL THE COLUMNS AND FIGURES THERE,  
11 BUT I KNOW THAT SOMEWHERE, SOMEHOW WE HAVE TO FIND A FEW  
12 HUNDRED THOUSAND MORE DOLLARS AND KEEP THESE SCHOOLS OPEN, SO  
13 PLEASE, I PLEAD WITH YOU, PLEASE, TRY TO PASS THIS MOTION, DO  
14 WHAT YOU CAN TO KEEP THEM OPEN. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE MR. SPIVERY.

17

18 **RUDY SPIVERY:** ALL RIGHT. GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS  
19 RUDY SPIVERY. I'M HERE TODAY, THIS IS MY THIRD TIME SPEAKING  
20 IN FRONT OF THE BOARD, AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY TODAY, I HAVE  
21 NOW BEEN RIFFED. I AM AN UNEMPLOYED TEACHER, BUT I'M STILL  
22 FIGHTING FOR WHAT I THINK IS RIGHT. ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF  
23 AGO, MY SUPERINTENDENT INTRODUCED ME AT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
24 IN FRONT OF THE COMMISSION ON TEACHER CREDENTIALING AS ONE OF  
25 THE FINEST TEACHERS AT L.A.C.O.E., AND TODAY, I'M NO LONGER



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1 EMPLOYED BECAUSE OF A SENSE OF URGENCY TO MEET BUDGET DEMANDS,  
2 TO MEET WHATEVER ADMINISTRATION FEELS IS NECESSARY TO DO. AND  
3 BY TRYING TO MEET THOSE BUDGETS AND THE CUTS THAT ARE BEING  
4 MADE, I THINK THAT WE NEED TO-- I CAME HERE TODAY TO URGE AND  
5 ENCOURAGE THE SUPERVISORS TO PASS THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR  
6 KNABE ASKED FOR, AND THAT IS SO THAT WE CAN GET THE TIME. I'M  
7 A PRIME EXAMPLE OF WHERE YOU RUSH AND YOU RUSH AND YOU RUSH  
8 AND HERE'S A TEACHER WHO WAS PRESENTED AS ONE OF THE BEST  
9 TEACHERS THAT WE HAD IN L.A.C.O.E., NO LONGER EMPLOYED. WE  
10 HAVE SO MUCH WORK TO DO. KIDS ARE STILL NOT TRANSITIONING  
11 PROPERLY, AND SOME KIDS JUST LEFT SCHOOL BECAUSE OF THE  
12 CLOSING OF THESE SITES. I COME BEFORE YOU TODAY ASKING  
13 EVERYBODY, PLEASE, TAKE THE TIME THAT WE NEED TO SORT THIS  
14 OUT, CALL OUR PARTNERS, WORK WITH PROBATION, WORK WITH THE  
15 COMMUNITY TO SAVE OUR KIDS. NOW, I AM NOT GOING TO JUST STAND  
16 AND BE SILENT WHERE THESE CHILDREN ARE NOT LOOKED UPON AS  
17 IMPORTANT ENOUGH THAT A BUDGET CANNOT BE ADJUSTED OR A BUDGET  
18 CANNOT WAIT. THESE KIDS ARE THE FABRIC OF OUR FUTURE, JUST  
19 LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE, AND I CALL UPON ALL THE PARENTS AND SO  
20 ON, AND SUPERVISORS, I KNOW YOU ALL HAVE GRANDCHILDREN AND  
21 CHILDREN. YOU WOULDN'T WANT THIS TO BE DONE TO YOUR CHILDREN,  
22 JUST BE PUT OUT IN THREE WEEKS' NOTICE WITHOUT ANY  
23 UNDERSTANDING THAT WE NEED TO DO MORE, WE CAN DO MORE. I HAVE  
24 40 SECONDS. AND SO I JUST SAY TO YOU, PLEASE THINK ABOUT THIS  
25 MOTION. I'M WORKING HARD. I'M NOT EVEN EMPLOYED TODAY AND MY



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1 NUMBER WAS SUPPOSED TO COME UP AND ALL OF A SUDDEN MY NUMBER  
2 IS NO LONGER COMING UP AS FAR AS BEING REHIRED BECAUSE OF OUR  
3 URGENCY, BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT WE NEED TO SIT DOWN AND LOOK  
4 AT THIS IN A PROPER WAY, AND SO I JUST COME BEFORE YOU TODAY  
5 AS AN ADVOCATE FOR STUDENTS AND FOR THE TEACHERS, 84 TEACHERS  
6 ARE MORE OUT THERE RIGHT NOW SUFFERING IN THIS DAY AND AGE. I  
7 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND I ENCOURAGE YOU TO PLEASE,  
8 LET'S KEEP THESE SCHOOLS OPEN OR REOPEN THE ONES THAT HAVE  
9 CLOSED. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. COULD WE ALSO HAVE WINNIE  
12 JACKSON JOIN US, PLEASE? ALL RIGHT. MR. LEWIS.

13

14 **MARK LEWIS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MANY OF THIS MORNING'S  
15 PRESENTATIONS WERE ABOUT SECOND CHANCES. THE STUDENTS WITH  
16 DISABILITIES RECEIVING ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO THAT THEY COULD  
17 SUCCEED. IMAGINE, IF YOU WILL, HOW MANY TIMES THOSE YOUNG  
18 PEOPLE WERE TOLD "YOU CAN'T. YOU CAN'T DO THIS, YOU CAN'T  
19 SUCCEED AND YOU CAN'T LEARN," YET THEY WERE GIVEN ANOTHER  
20 OPPORTUNITY BY SOMEONE WHO SAW SOMETHING IN THEM. WE'RE HERE  
21 TO TALK ABOUT ANOTHER GROUP SEEKING A SECOND CHANCE. MORE THAN  
22 20 COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOL AND INDEPENDENT STUDY PROGRAMS HAVE  
23 BEEN SHUT. MANY OF THE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THESE PROGRAMS HAVE  
24 DROPPED OUT AND ARE NOW ON THE STREETS, NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL.  
25 SOME CANNOT GO BACK TO THEIR DISTRICT OF RESIDENCE BECAUSE OF



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1 EXPULSION. OTHERS ARE ON PROBATION. SOME MAY BE PREGNANT OR  
2 PARENTING TEENS THAT NEED CHILD CARE OR HAVE TO WORK. WE'RE  
3 RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE STUDENTS. THE DISTRICTS DON'T WANT THESE  
4 KIDS. SUPERVISORS, WE HAVE TAKEN THE FIRST STEPS DOWN A ROAD  
5 FILLED WITH POTHOLES AND UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES FOR STUDENTS  
6 AND THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE. L.A.C.O.E. IS TRYING TO PUSH  
7 SOMETHING THROUGH THAT HAS NOT BEEN WELL PLANNED OUT, WITH  
8 NUMBERS OF STUDENTS NOT PROPERLY TRANSITIONED TO OTHER  
9 PROGRAMS. TEACHERS FROM COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOL, INDEPENDENT  
10 STUDY PROGRAMS DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH NOTICE TO TALK WITH  
11 DISTRICTS THAT HAD EXPELLED STUDENTS. MANY STUDENTS DON'T KNOW  
12 WHERE TO GO AND ARE NOT WELCOME TO THEIR SCHOOLS OF RESIDENCE  
13 WE UNDERSTAND THE FINANCIAL CRUSH ON L.A.C.O.E. AND THE  
14 DIFFICULT CHOICES THAT MUST BE MADE, BUT BALANCING THE BUDGET  
15 ON THE BACKS OF THOSE WHO NEED HELP AND WANT A SECOND CHANCE  
16 IN FAVOR OF BUREAUCRACY IS INEXCUSABLE. MORE THAN 25 PERCENT  
17 OF THE 2010 OPERATION GRADUATION ATTENDEES WERE FROM SCHOOLS  
18 THAT ARE NOW CLOSED. OTHERS WHO ARE WELL ON THEIR WAY TO  
19 ACHIEVING HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION NOW HAVE NOWHERE TO FINISH  
20 AND WILL MOST LIKELY NOT GET TO THE END. WE ARE ABOUT TO  
21 CREATE A BOULEVARD OF BROKEN DREAMS FOR MANY STUDENTS. FOR  
22 EXAMPLE, IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, SIR, FROM OLYMPIC BOULEVARD  
23 SOUTH ALONG WESTERN OR VERMONT AVENUES, OR ANY OF THE MANY  
24 NORTH/SOUTH STREETS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, THERE ARE NO  
25 COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOL OR INDEPENDENT STUDY PROGRAMS UNTIL ONE





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1 GETS TO COMPTON. IT'S MUCH THE SAME IN MANY OF THE OTHER  
2 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. WHEN THIS ISSUE WAS DISCUSSED HERE  
3 TWO WEEKS AGO, THE SUPERINTENDENT REFERENCED A LEGAL OPINION  
4 THAT SUGGESTED THAT TO OFFER TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS  
5 WHILE WE SEARCH FOR WAYS AND MEANS TO CONTINUE THESE PROGRAMS  
6 WOULD SOMEHOW OBLIGATE L.A.C.O.E. TO OWN THE CONTRACTS FOR THE  
7 ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR. THERE IS A DIFFERING LEGAL OPINION WHICH I  
8 WILL DISTRIBUTE TO THE MEMBERS THROUGH THE SHERIFF WHEN I'M  
9 DONE. SUPERVISORS, WHAT WE PROPOSE IS A 90-DAY OPTION, REOPEN  
10 THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE VIABLE FOR THREE MONTHS WHILE  
11 L.A.C.O.E., TEACHERS, COUNSELORS, PROBATION DEPARTMENTS,  
12 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, DISTRICTS, D.C.F.S., FOSTER YOUTH,  
13 JUVENILE COURT, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND CORPORATE  
14 PARTNERS COLLABORATE AND DEVELOP ALTERNATIVES THROUGH THESE  
15 SCHOOLS TO REMAIN OPEN TO SERVE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES ON A  
16 PERMANENT BASIS. ROLLING UP OUR SLEEVES NOW AND WORKING WILL  
17 SAVE MONEY IN THE END AND PROVIDE HOPE FOR MANY TROUBLED KIDS.  
18 PERMANENTLY CLOSING THE DOORS OF THESE SCHOOLS BECAUSE IT IS  
19 CONVENIENT AND EASY TO DO SO AT THE EXPENSE OF THOSE ON THE  
20 MARGINS OF SOCIETY IS NOT AN ACCEPTABLE OPTION. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MISS WRIGHT?

23

24 **PAM WRIGHT:** TWO WEEKS AGO I CAME BEFORE YOU WITH THREE OF MY  
25 STUDENTS ASKING YOU TO PLEASE KEEP MISSION INDEPENDENT STUDY



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1 PROGRAM IN POMONA OPEN FOR THIS COMMUNITY. MY STUDENTS SPOKE  
2 TO YOU FROM THEIR HEARTS AND THEY PLEADED WITH YOU TO KEEP  
3 THEIR SCHOOL OPEN. MY STUDENTS AND A PARENT HAVE ALSO SPOKEN  
4 TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION SCHOOL BOARD AND  
5 THEY HAVE WRITTEN LETTERS TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA. I HAVE  
6 PREVIOUSLY SHARED WITH YOU SOME OF THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF MY  
7 PROGRAM IN THAT WHEN I STARTED THIS PROGRAM IN MAY OF 2006,  
8 THE PURPOSE WAS TO SERVE A POPULATION THAT WAS NOT BEING  
9 SERVED. THE POPULATION IS PRIMARILY PARENTING TEENS WHO CANNOT  
10 ATTEND A SCHOOL ON A REGULAR SCHEDULE AS THEY NEED CHILD CARE  
11 AND/OR THEY WORK. OVER 90 PERCENT OF MY STUDENTS ARE ENGLISH  
12 LANGUAGE LEARNERS. THEY ALL COME FROM DISADVANTAGED HOMES WHEN  
13 IT COMES TO SOCIOECONOMIC LEVEL, AND BY PROVIDING MY STUDENTS  
14 WITH THE NECESSARY ACADEMIC INSTRUCTION IN A SAFE AND  
15 NURTURING ENVIRONMENT, THEY HAVE BEEN INSPIRED AND THEY ARE  
16 EAGER TO LEARN. ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF MY STUDENTS PASSED THE  
17 CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAM. ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF MY  
18 STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL. THERE IS NO OTHER SUITABLE  
19 ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM IN POMONA FOR MY STUDENTS. ON JUNE 3RD  
20 WHEN I WAS INFORMED THAT MY PROGRAM WAS TO CLOSE, I HAD 21  
21 STUDENTS ENROLLED AND SCHEDULED TO GRADUATE. I HAD TWO  
22 STUDENTS SCHEDULED TO ENROLL THAT DAY AND SEVEN STUDENTS ON A  
23 WAITING LIST. THIS REPRESENTS 30 STUDENTS THAT COULD FIND  
24 SUCCESS IN THEIR LIVES AND BECOME CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS OF  
25 SOCIETY. WITHOUT THIS PROGRAM, THESE STUDENTS WILL NOT REALIZE



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1 THEIR GOAL OF A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA. I ASK YOU, PLEASE, DO NOT  
2 CLOSE THIS PROGRAM.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MISS JACKSON.

5

6 **WINNIE JACKSON:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SUPERVISOR KNABE,  
7 SUPERVISOR THOMAS, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR  
8 YAROSLAVSKY, I'VE NEVER, EVER BEGGED YOU FOR ANYTHING LIKE I  
9 BEG YOU FOR THIS. DON'T ALLOW THIS. I SAW YOU THIS MORNING  
10 HONOR EDUCATION. I SAW YOU YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE PUT FORTH AN  
11 EFFORT, WHO WANTED TO GO TO SCHOOL, TO CLOSE THIS SCHOOL,  
12 THESE SCHOOLS, TO PUT THESE CHILDREN AT RISK AND PUT THEM BACK  
13 ON THE STREET. THAT'S NOT RIGHT. IT'S NOT RIGHT. THESE  
14 CHILDREN, I KNOW FROM WORKING WITH DOWNEY C.D.S. AND OTHER  
15 SCHOOLS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, THE SECOND DISTRICT AND THE  
16 OTHERS, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU KNOW I NEVER COME TO YOU  
17 UNLESS I CAN BE SURE THAT WHAT I WAS SAYING WAS RIGHT. THESE  
18 CHILDREN COMPETE WITH THE BEST. I MEAN, THEY COMPETE. I HAVE  
19 THEM COMPETE IN ESSAY CONTESTS WITH CHARTER SCHOOLS AND THEY  
20 DO AMAZING, OUTSTANDING WORK, TO TAKE THE RIGHT FROM THEM  
21 BEING ABLE TO GRADUATE OR GET A G.E.D. SO THAT THEY CAN BE  
22 PRODUCTIVE AND CONTRIBUTING CITIZENS, THAT'S NOT RIGHT. TO  
23 SAY, "WELL, LET THE DISTRICTS TAKE THEM BACK" AND THE  
24 DISTRICTS-- SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY SAY, "WELL, I DON'T WANT THEM  
25 BACK," AND YOU JUST THROW THEM IN THE STREET? THAT'S NOT



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1 RIGHT. YOU ARE THEIR SUPERVISORS JUST LIKE YOU'RE MY  
2 SUPERVISOR. I'VE SERVED YOU FOR OVER 40 YEARS. I KNOW BETTER  
3 THAN THIS. YOU ARE THE MOST POWERFUL ENTITY. YOU'RE NOT JUST  
4 MY SUPERVISOR OR THE SUPERVISOR FOR ADULTS; YOU ARE THE  
5 SUPERVISOR FOR THESE CHILDREN. THEY ARE IN YOUR DISTRICTS.  
6 THEY BELONG TO YOU. IF YOU DON'T GIVE THEM VOICE, IF YOU DON'T  
7 GIVE THEM PRESENCE, IF YOU DON'T MAKE THEIR PLIGHT VISIBLE BY  
8 MAKING A STAND FOR THEM, WHO DO THEY HAVE? WHERE DO THEY TURN?  
9 WHAT DO THEY DO? I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS. I DON'T UNDERSTAND  
10 THIS. I AM ASKING YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART, I'M ASKING  
11 YOU, I'M PLEADING WITH YOU, I'M BEGGING WITH YOU, YOU TAKE  
12 INTO CONSIDERATION, YOU SEE THEM AS INDIVIDUALS, YOU LOOK IN  
13 THEIR FACES, YOU LOOK IN THEIR EYES AND YOU TELL THEM WHO YOU  
14 ARE BY THIS DECISION THAT YOU MAKE. DON'T ALLOW THIS. EVEN  
15 THOUGH YOU ARE HERE AND THEY ARE OUT IN YOUR DISTRICTS, THEY  
16 STILL KNOW WHO YOU ARE, BUT THEY DON'T BELIEVE THAT YOU-- IF  
17 YOU DO THIS, HOW WILL THEY BELIEVE THAT YOU CARE ABOUT THEM OR  
18 THAT ANYBODY IS FIGHTING FOR THEM? THESE CHILDREN ARE DROPPING  
19 OUT OF SCHOOL BECAUSE THEY SAY, "OH, THEY DON'T CARE."  
20 RECIDIVISM IS GROWING. OKAY. WHAT IF THEY DIE? WHAT IF THEY  
21 GET KILLED BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT IN SCHOOL? THEN WHOSE FAULT IS  
22 THAT? I AM JUST ASKING YOU TO BE WHAT-- WHO I KNOW YOU TO BE.  
23 BE WHO I KNOW YOU TO BE AND DO WHAT IS RIGHT FOR THESE  
24 CHILDREN. PLEASE DO WHAT IS RIGHT. KEEP THESE SCHOOLS OPEN.  
25 THAT'S NOT RIGHT. IT'S NOT RIGHT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MISS WRIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES OUR  
3 SPEAKERS. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY, I UNDERSTAND THE PASSION OF THE  
6 SITUATION AND WHICH I SUPPORT AND THE REASON FOR MY MOTION WAS  
7 TO TRY TO DEAL WITH THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE AS IT RELATES TO THE  
8 SHORT NOTICE OF CLOSURE. THESE SCHOOLS ARE VERY IMPORTANT  
9 FUNCTION OF THE ENTIRE PROCESS. HOWEVER, YOU KNOW, PART OF IT  
10 IS NOT OUR DECISION TO MAKE. IT WAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION.  
11 THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, THIS DECISION WAS INDEPENDENTLY MADE  
12 BY THE SUPERINTENDENT WHO CLAIMED THAT SHE HAD THE AUTHORITY  
13 TO MAKE THIS DECISION WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE BOARD OF  
14 EDUCATION, AND I JUST THINK THAT, YOU KNOW, WE NEED TO LOOK AT  
15 WHATEVER WE CAN TO BE ABLE TO ASSIST. OBVIOUSLY IT'S NOT OUR  
16 FINANCIAL DECISION, IT'S THE BOARD OF EDUCATION'S FINANCIAL  
17 DECISION. I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR THE SUPERINTENDENT, IF SHE'S  
18 AVAILABLE, TO COMMENT ON THIS PARTICULAR SITUATION. I MEAN,  
19 SHE'S THE ONE THAT MADE THE DECISION AND AS I UNDERSTAND IT,  
20 THE BOARD DIDN'T VOTE ON IT. I UNDERSTAND WINNIE'S APPEAL TO  
21 US, BUT THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.  
22 WE ARE NOT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION. MAYBE THE SUPERINTENDENT  
23 CAN ENLIGHTEN US.

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1   **DARLINE ROBLES:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. OVER THE LAST  
2   SEVERAL YEARS, OUR OFFICE HAS EXPERIENCED EXTREME BUDGET  
3   DIFFICULTIES. WHEN WE BEGAN WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
4   ABOUT SIX YEARS AGO AND WE BEGAN TO USE OUR UNRESTRICTED FUND,  
5   WHICH IS \$55 MILLION TO OFFSET THE INCREASED COSTS TO MAKE  
6   SURE WE COMPLIED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, AND RIGHT NOW  
7   WE'RE ABOUT \$17 MILLION OVER THE REVENUE FOR OUR KIDS IN A  
8   DEFICIT FOR THAT. AT THE SAME TIME, WE ALSO, WE'RE SUBSIDIZING  
9   COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOLS, AND IN THE LAST TWO YEARS WITH THE  
10   BUDGET CUTS, WE WERE REDUCED TO APPROXIMATELY \$2,000 PER  
11   STUDENT IN OUR COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOLS. AND IN THE LAST TWO  
12   YEARS, WE RECEIVED COMMENTS FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
13   INDICATING THAT WE HAD TO GET OUR FINANCES IN ORDER OR NOT  
14   HAVE AN APPROVAL OF BUDGET. SO WE LOOKED AT OUR BUDGET THAT  
15   OUR BOARD OF EDUCATION DOES APPROVE. THEY HAVE AUTHORITY OVER  
16   APPROVING THE BUDGET, AND THEY HAVE WORKED WITH US OVER THE  
17   LAST COUPLE OF YEARS OF LOOKING AT BUSINESS EFFICIENCIES,  
18   LOOKING AT WHERE WE COULD CUT DOLLARS, AND BECAUSE OF THE  
19   DEFICIT IN COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOLS, WE BEGAN AS A TEAM TO LOOK  
20   AT HOW WE COULD REDUCE THOSE COSTS, AND WE BEGAN TO LOOK AT  
21   SITES THAT WERE NOT MEETING, NUMBER ONE, ITS ATTENDANCE  
22   ENROLLMENT, NUMBER ONE, LEASES THAT WE COULD NOT NEGOTIATE TO  
23   A LOWER COST AND ALSO IF THERE WERE DISTRICTS THAT WOULD BE  
24   WILLING TO SIGN AN M.O.U. WITH THAT. SO WHAT WE'VE DONE IN  
25   THIS LAST SIX MONTHS IS PRESENT A BUDGET TO OUR BOARD WHICH





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1 THEY APPROVED WHICH ELIMINATED THE DEFICIT. I BELIEVE ALL THAT  
2 MR. RILEY-- MOST OF ,IT A GOOD PERCENTAGE IN COMMUNITY DAY  
3 SCHOOLS AND SO WE NOW HAVE AN APPROVAL OF BUDGET BY C.D.E.  
4 THIS IS BASICALLY A BUDGET ISSUE TO GET OUR COUNTY BOARD OF  
5 EDUCATION AND OUR-- THE COUNTY SERVICE FUND ADOPTED. WE'RE THE  
6 ONLY STATE AGENCY, SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND COUNTY OFFICES WHERE  
7 WE MUST SUBMIT A BUDGET THAT IS POSITIVE. WE'RE RESERVED FOR 2  
8 PERCENT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AND TWO OUT YEARS, AND SO WE HAVE  
9 MET THAT CRITERIA FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AND OUT YEAR BUT NOT  
10 FOR THE THIRD YEAR. WHEN THEY MENTION THAT WE HAVE OVER A  
11 HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS IN RESERVES, WE ONLY HAVE ABOUT 55  
12 MILLION, AND SO WHEN WE BEGAN THIS PROCESS A YEAR AGO, STAFF,  
13 UNDER MR. RILEY'S DIRECTION, BEGAN TO MEET WITH DISTRICTS  
14 ABOUT M.O.U.S AND I THINK DISTRICTS WERE STILL STRUGGLING  
15 ABOUT THE BUDGET THEMSELVES, WHETHER THEY COULD DO IT OR NOT,  
16 BUT IN THE CONVERSATION OVER THE LAST MONTH, THE DISTRICTS  
17 THAT I HAVE INDICATED AND EMAILED TO YOU WERE DISTRICTS HAVE  
18 SAID "WE'RE TAKING BACK OUR PROGRAMS, WE WANT TO TAKE OUR  
19 PROGRAMS BACK." AND WE ALSO HAVE WORKED WITH TRANSITION PLANS,  
20 AND I HAVE PROVIDED A TEMPLATE FOR YOU IN THAT MAIL ABOUT  
21 WHERE WE KNOW EACH STUDENT IS TO BE AND I'VE ALSO MADE THAT  
22 COMMITMENT, AN ADDITIONAL COMMITMENT THAT COME THE FALL, I  
23 WILL LOOK AT THE CAL PATS [PH?] THE STATE HAS AN I.D. NUMBER  
24 FOR EVERY STUDENT, TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO FIND OUT WHERE  
25 EVERY STUDENT IS IN THE FALL TO ENSURE THAT THEY'RE NOT



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1 ENROLLED, AND IF THEY'RE NOT ENROLLED, TO PICK UP PHONE AND  
2 MAKE THAT COMMITMENT TO THE SUPERINTENDENT TO FIND OUT, "WHERE  
3 IS DARLENE, WHERE IS JERRY, WHERE IS VIENNA, WHY AREN'T THEY  
4 ENROLLED?" AND THEN BEGIN TO HAVE THE CONVERSATION ABOUT WHY  
5 THEY'RE NOT. SO THAT'S THE COMMITMENT I CAN MAKE UNDER THESE  
6 TOUGH BUDGET DECISIONS. NONE OF US, NONE OF US WANT TO REDUCE  
7 AND WORSE, ELIMINATE PROGRAMS THAT WE KNOW HAVE BEEN  
8 SUCCESSFUL, BUT WHEN WE HAVE A BUDGET REQUIREMENT BY THE STATE  
9 TO HAVE A BALANCED BUDGET OR EVENTUALLY GO TO THE STATE FOR A  
10 LOAN AND, WORSE, HAVE A TRUSTEE COME IN AND MAKE THOSE  
11 DECISIONS FOR US, THEY'RE NOT GOOD CHOICES, AND SO I  
12 APPRECIATE WHAT OUR TEACHERS HAVE DONE. THEY'RE OUTSTANDING  
13 TEACHERS. I AGREE, MR. SPIVERY IS ONE OF THE MOST WONDERFUL  
14 TEACHERS THAT WE HAVE IN OUR COUNTY, ALONG WITH MISS WRIGHT  
15 AND BRIAN CHRISTIANSON, BUT WHEN WE'RE, LIKE ALL DISTRICTS  
16 RIGHT NOW, FACING HORRIBLE CHOICES, THEY ARE HORRIBLE CHOICES,  
17 I CAN'T DENY THAT. BUT THE DISTRICTS THAT I'VE BEEN WORKING  
18 WITH HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY ARE GOING TO TAKE  
19 RESPONSIBILITY. I'M CURRENTLY RIGHT NOW WORKING WITH LOS  
20 ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND STILL NEGOTIATING AN  
21 M.O.U. TO SEE ABOUT SEVERAL SITES THAT I WILL BE IN THE THIRD  
22 AND SECOND DISTRICT, I BELIEVE, AND MAYBE SOME OF THE FOURTH,  
23 I'M NOT SURE EXACTLY WHERE. I'M PRETTY SURE THAT WE'RE GOING  
24 TO GET THAT M.O.U.. WE'RE JUST NEGOTIATING RIGHT NOW WHAT THE  
25 PARAMETERS WOULD BE, AND MR. RILEY HAS ALSO BEEN MEETING WITH



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1 PROBATION STAFF TO LOOK AT PART OF THE MOTION THAT MR. RIDLEY-  
2 THOMAS MADE ABOUT HOW WE CAN COOPERATE WITH PROBATION AND THE  
3 SCHOOL DISTRICT IN CERTAIN AREAS WHERE WE COULD HAVE STUDENTS  
4 ALSO SERVING A DIFFERENT CONFIGURATION, MAYBE NOT A COMMUNITY  
5 DAY SCHOOL SITE, BUT MAYBE AT THE A SITE OF THE SCHOOL OR A  
6 SITE WHERE WE HAVE PROBATION OFFICE. ONE OF OR WONDERFUL  
7 PROGRAMS IS THE SHERIFF'S ACADEMY IN LYNWOOD THAT SHERIFF BACA  
8 HAS WORKED WITH US AND STUDENTS ENJOY GOING THERE AND WE'RE  
9 LOOKING TO SEE IF THERE'S OTHER PLACES LIKE THAT WHERE WE  
10 MIGHT BE ABLE TO BE CREATIVE AND CREATE A PROGRAM FOR KIDS,  
11 IT'S, AGAIN, ONE OF THE CASUALTIES OF THE BUDGET. NONE OF US  
12 LIKE THE CHOICES WE HAVE TO MAKE. SO WITH THAT, I'LL OPEN TO  
13 ANY QUESTIONS, OR MR. RILEY, WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADD?

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANY QUESTIONS?

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, MADAME CHAIR, IF I MAY, IT NEEDS TO  
18 BE CLEARER TO ME, MADAME SUPERINTENDENT, WHAT YOUR VIEW OF THE  
19 EFFICACY OF THESE SCHOOLS REALLY IS. DO THEY WORK, ARE THEY  
20 SUCCESSFUL, IN YOUR MIND, ARE THEY WORTH SAVING? AND IF SO, IT  
21 SEEMS TO ME THAT A MUCH MORE PROACTIVE APPROACH IS WARRANTED.  
22 IT IS INSUFFICIENT IN MY VIEW RESPECTIVELY TO MAKE THE CLAIM  
23 THAT THE BUDGET CUTS ARE SIMPLY DEVASTATING. THIS IS CLEAR TO  
24 ALL OF US, BUT FOR THOSE PROGRAMS THAT ARE WORTH SAVING, WE  
25 MAKE THE EXTRA EFFORT, AND I'M HAVING A HARD TIME DISCERNING



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1 FROM YOUR REMARKS WHETHER OR NOT THAT EFFORT IS WARRANTED, IF,  
2 IN FACT, YOU FEEL THAT THE WORK THAT GOES INTO THESE SCHOOLS,  
3 THESE 700-- APPROXIMATELY 700 STUDENTS AND THE STAFF THAT YOU  
4 FIND ASSOCIATED WITH THEM ARE THE KINDS OF EFFORTS THAT OUGHT  
5 TO BE SUPPORTED BY YOUR OFFICES, OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT  
6 IN A COLLABORATIVE PURSUIT WITH OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS. THE  
7 MOTION THAT I MADE SOUGHT TO GET A HANDLE ON THAT AND SEE WHAT  
8 WE COULD COME FORWARD WITH, AND I WOULD HAVE HOPED THAT IN THE  
9 CONTEXT OF THESE REMARKS THAT YOU MAKE TODAY, WE HAVE A SENSE  
10 OF WHAT THE COLLABORATION TO SAVE THESE COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOLS  
11 WOULD BE. SO IF YOU COULD HELP US A LITTLE BIT MORE WITH THAT,  
12 THAT WOULD BE USEFUL. AT THIS POINT, IT'S LACKING IN TERMS OF  
13 US CAUSING US TO BE MOTIVATED TO HELP YOU TO HELP THESE  
14 STUDENTS, THESE TEACHERS, THE WHOLE NETWORK, THAT SHOULD, IN  
15 FACT, BE HELPFUL TO THE STUDENTS IN THESE SCHOOLS.

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17 **DARLINE ROBLES:** WE ARE AT A POINT IN OUR COUNTY OFFICE,  
18 SUPERVISOR, WHERE COMMUNITY SCHOOL FUNDING IS NOT ENOUGH TO  
19 KEEP ALL THE SITES OPEN, BUT WE MANAGED TO USE SOME FUNDS TO  
20 KEEP MANY OF THE SITES OPEN STILL IN OUR COUNTY BECAUSE OF  
21 THEIR ATTENDANCE AND THE ATTENDANCE BEING WHERE IT WAS HIGH  
22 ENOUGH TO GENERATE MORE FUNDS. THERE WERE 11 SITES WAY BACK IN  
23 JANUARY, FEBRUARY WHERE THEY WORKED WITH A UNION AND MY MANTRA  
24 HAD BEEN 90 PERCENT FULL ENROLLMENT AND 90 PERCENT ATTENDANCE.  
25 AND OVER THE 11 MONTHS-- FROM FEBRUARY TO MAY AND JUNE, THE



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1 ENROLLMENT WASN'T THERE TO GENERATE THE ATTENDANCE, SO I  
2 BELIEVE THAT THERE WAS AN EFFORT TO DO EVERYTHING WE COULD TO  
3 KEEP THEM OPEN AND THERE'S STILL AN EFFORT TODAY IN WORKING  
4 WITH DISTRICTS WHO ARE WILLING TO AT LEAST HAVE THE  
5 CONVERSATION ABOUT AN M.O.U. TO PAY FOR THAT EXCESS COSTS, SO  
6 THAT'S NOT OFF THE TABLE, SUPERVISOR, THAT'S STILL IN THE  
7 MAKINGS AND WORKING WITH IT, AND I'LL ASK MR. RILEY TO TALK  
8 BRIEFLY ABOUT HIS CONVERSATION WITH MR. REMINGTON AND WHERE  
9 WE'RE GOING TO GO IN FUTURE CONVERSATION PARTICULARLY WITH  
10 L.A.U.S.D. AND THEIR STAFF BECAUSE THEY WANT TO WORK WITH US  
11 AND EVEN IN OTHER DISTRICTS, LIKE IN COMPTON AND INGLEWOOD AND  
12 OTHERS, BECAUSE IF WE CAN HAVE THAT CONVERSATION AND OPEN THEM  
13 UP IN SEPTEMBER, WE ARE MORE THAN WILLING TO OPEN UP AS LONG  
14 AS THE EXCESS COST IS PAID FOR. THE COST THAT'S OVER THE  
15 REVENUE THAT WE RECEIVE FOR COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOLS.

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17 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, I MET WITH DEPUTY CAL REMINGTON, DEPUTY  
18 CHIEF CAL REMINGTON, AND WE TALKED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF  
19 OPENING COUNTY, COMMUNITY SCHOOL CLASSES AT OR NEAR THE  
20 PROBATION OFFICES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OR MAYBE EVEN THE  
21 SHERIFF'S OFFICE, LIKE IN THE SHERIFF'S ACADEMY. I THINK THAT  
22 WHEN WE'RE DEALING WITH HIGH-RISK KIDS, HAVING STAND-ALONE  
23 SITES IN THE COMMUNITY IS DIFFICULT BECAUSE A SINGLE TEACHER  
24 NEEDS SUPPORT FROM OTHER PROFESSIONALS TO PROVIDE A NETWORK OF  
25 A WRAP-AROUND SET OF SERVICES, AS MR. CHRISTIAN MENTIONED, FOR



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1 OUR STUDENTS. SO WHAT I TALKED TO THE DEPUTY CHIEF ABOUT IS,  
2 HOW CAN WE FIND PLACES WHERE WE CAN HOUSE A CLASSROOM, TWO  
3 CLASSROOMS, WHERE WE HAVE THE OTHER SERVICE PARTNERS IN CLOSE  
4 PROXIMITY TO US SO THAT THEY CAN REFER OUR PROBATIONARY YOUTH,  
5 WHETHER THE ONES THAT HAVE BEEN REASSIGNED BACK TO THE  
6 COMMUNITY OR THE ONES WHO ARE COMING BACK FROM CAMP INTO A  
7 CLASSROOM WHERE THEY CAN BE CLOSELY MONITORED AND SUPERVISED,  
8 BOTH IN THEIR BEHAVIOR, ATTENDANCE AND THEIR ACTIVITIES  
9 OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL AND THE TEACHER CAN HAVE THAT SUPPORT AND  
10 PROBATION CAN BE DIRECTLY INVOLVED WITH OUR PROGRAM? THE  
11 DEPUTY CHIEF AND THE CHIEF ARE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS MODEL.  
12 WE TALKED SOME THIS MORNING AS WE WERE WAITING TO COME IN. I  
13 KNOW THERE HAS BEEN DISCUSSION WORKING WITH THE LEAD PERSON  
14 OUT AT L.A.U.S.D. TO SEE IF WE CAN CREATE THESE KINDS OF  
15 PROGRAMS MAYBE WITH MULTIPLE AGENCIES INVOLVED, SO I THINK  
16 THIS HAS REAL POTENTIAL TO BEGIN TO CLOSE THE LOOP ON THE  
17 FUNDING AND ATTENDANCE ISSUES THAT WE STRUGGLE WITH SO LONG AS  
18 USING THE COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOL MODEL.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANYONE ELSE? SUPERVISOR  
21 ANTONOVICH?

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK COUNTY COUNSEL, IF THE DISTRICT  
24 HIRES FOR 30 DAYS, DOES THE EDUCATIONAL CODE THEN REQUIRE THAT





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1 THAT INDIVIDUAL HAS TO BE PAID FOR 12 MONTHS, OR FOR THAT FULL  
2 SCHOOL YEAR AND NOT JUST FOR THAT 30 DAYS?

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4 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** UNFORTUNATELY IT IS PROBABLE, MORE  
5 PROBABLE THAN NOT THAT THAT WOULD BE THE RESULT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE SCHOOL BOARD, BASICALLY THEIR HANDS  
8 ARE TIED BECAUSE THAT STATE LAW, STATE POLICY, AND THE EFFORT  
9 THAT'S BEEN DISCUSSED TODAY OUGHT TO BE ADDRESSED AT THE STATE  
10 LEVEL SO THAT THE STATE WOULD HAVE MODIFICATIONS IN THE STATE  
11 LAW THAT WOULD ALLOW, MAKE IT PERMISSIBLE WITHOUT PENALIZING  
12 THE DISTRICT FOR MAKING THESE 30-DAY WAIVERS OR WHATEVER TYPE  
13 OF MODIFICATION. ONCE AGAIN THIS POINTS OUT THE  
14 DYSFUNCTIONALISM OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND NOT HAVING A  
15 BUDGET PASSED ON TIME, THAT NOT ONLY IMPACTS THESE SCHOOLS BUT  
16 HAS IMPACTED EVERY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THIS STATE BECAUSE  
17 TEACHERS HAVE TO BE NOTIFIED, I BELIEVE IT'S IN MARCH, IF  
18 THEY'RE GOING TO BE HIRED IN SEPTEMBER BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE  
19 A BUDGET, THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE LEFT IN A SITUATION WHERE  
20 THEY HAVE TO LET GOOD QUALITY TEACHERS GO BECAUSE THEY DON'T  
21 KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. SO AGAIN, THIS POINTS OUT THE  
22 DYSFUNCTIONALISM AT THE STATE LEVEL THAT HANDICAPS LOCAL  
23 DECISION MAKERS FROM CARRYING OUT PRUDENT POLICIES. AND WHY A  
24 TWO-YEAR BUDGET WOULD ALSO ENABLE SCHOOL DISTRICTS, CITIES AND



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1 COUNTIES TO BUDGET WISELY FOR THE VARIOUS PROGRAMS THEY'RE  
2 RESPONSIBLE FOR.

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4 **DARLINE ROBLES:** THAT'S A GREAT SUMMARY, SUPERVISOR, ABOUT WHAT  
5 THE DYSFUNCTION IS ABOUT THE RED CODE AND THE BUDGET PROCESS.  
6 AGAIN, I KNOW I SAID IT ONCE, BUT IT IS A UNIQUE SITUATION FOR  
7 ALL THE LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES, THAT WE'RE THE ONLY PUBLIC  
8 ENTITY THAT MUST SUBMIT A BALANCED BUDGET FOR THE CURRENT AND  
9 TWO YEARS OUT OR HAVE DISAPPROVAL, AND THAT'S THE OTHER  
10 CONVERSATION WE'RE HAVING WITH LEGISLATORS AND WE UNDERSTAND  
11 THE REASON WHY BECAUSE OF THE EARLY 1990S, WHERE MAYBE 1,200  
12 IN DISTRICTS THAT WERE TAKEN OVER BY THE STATE WITH LOANS.  
13 THAT IS A SAFEGUARD SO THAT DISTRICTS DO NOT, OR COUNTY  
14 OFFICES GO TO THE STATE FOR A LOAN AND HAVE A TRUSTEE SO OUR  
15 HANDS ARE BASICALLY TIED.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANYONE ELSE?

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM ECHAIR, I MEAN, AGAIN, I'M REALLY FRUSTRATED  
22 BY THE ANSWER. I UNDERSTAND WHERE THEY ARE TODAY AS YOU TRY TO  
23 EXPLAIN IT. WHAT I CONTINUE TO NOT UNDERSTAND IS HOW WE GOT  
24 HERE. YOU MENTIONED IT TO YOUR BOARD BACK IN JANUARY. A  
25 PROCESS, YOU WERE LOOKING AT NUMBERS, WHATEVER IT MAY BE, AND



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1 YOU ARBITRARILY MADE THIS DECISION IN A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF  
2 TIME TO CLOSE THESE FACILITIES. OKAY. YOUR BOARD DIDN'T VOTE  
3 ON IT, YOU BROUGHT IT BACK TO YOUR BOARD, THEY DIDN'T WANT TO  
4 VOTE ON IT. SO I AM VERY UNCOMFORTABLE WITH THIS CLOSURE AND  
5 I'M NOT CONVINCED AND THE REASON FOR MY MOTION, ALTHOUGH WE'RE  
6 ALMOST 15 DAYS INTO MY 30 DAYS, THAT OTHER THAN LOOKING AT  
7 M.O.U.S, THAT THEY REALLY LOOKED AT ALL THE OPTIONS. THIS IS A  
8 CRITICAL ELEMENT AND THESE YOUNG PEOPLE, YOU KNOW, ARE IN A  
9 VERY, VERY DIFFICULT SITUATION AND WE NEED TO NOT DO A TWO  
10 WEEKS LOOK OR 30-DAY LOOK BUT WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT  
11 THERE'S A THOROUGH ANALYSIS OF ANY OPPORTUNITY TO KEEP THESE  
12 FACILITIES OPEN, AND, YOU KNOW, I'M JUST NOT COMFORTABLE HOW  
13 THIS DECISION WAS MADE OR WHETHER OR NOT EVERY OPTION HAS BEEN  
14 LOOKED AT, BESIDES THE M.O.U.S AND GOING BACK TO SCHOOL,  
15 THERE'S, AS I UNDERSTOOD IT, YOU'RE TRYING TO DO THAT FOR SIX  
16 MONTHS SO, THAT'S AN OPTION THAT'S BEEN LOOKED AT ON AND OFF  
17 FOR SIX MONTHS. SO I'M NOT SURE THAT I FEEL COMFORTABLE THAT  
18 YOU'VE SCRUBBED EVERY AVENUE INSIDE YOUR OPERATION TO LOOK  
19 \_\_\_\_\_. THEY'RE COMING TO US AND OBVIOUSLY, YOU KNOW, THIS  
20 ISN'T OUR DEAL. THIS IS YOUR DEAL. AND YOUR BOARD'S DEAL, AND,  
21 YOU KNOW, MY MOTION IS STILL THERE. I THINK I'D LIKE TO ADD,  
22 YOU KNOW, SOME MORE TIME TO IT, BECAUSE WE'RE TWO WEEKS INTO  
23 IT AND WE HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING YET. SO I DON'T KNOW WHERE  
24 EVERYONE ELSE IS AT.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, I'M RIGHT THERE, MR. KNABE, IN TERMS  
2    OF MY SENSE THAT MORE EFFORT IS REQUIRED THAN WHAT HAS BEEN  
3    EVIDENCED OR THAT WHICH HAS BEEN COMMUNICATED THAT CONVINCES  
4    ME THAT WE'VE DONE ALL THAT WE COULD AND SHOULD DO. MADAME  
5    SUPERINTENDENT, I AM NOT INCLINED TO DETAIL THE CRITIQUE THAT  
6    I WISH TO BRING TO BEAR, BUT I WISH TO HAVE A FOLLOW-UP  
7    CONVERSATION WITH YOU TO GIVE MORE OF A NUANCED PERSPECTIVE AS  
8    TO HOW THIS HAS ADVERSELY AFFECTED THE CONSTITUENTS OF THE  
9    SECOND DISTRICT, WHICH JUST HAPPENS TO BE A THIRD OF THE  
10   POPULATION THAT WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT HERE. THERE'S A  
11   DISCONNECT OF SOME SORT, MADAME CHAIR, MR. KNABE, IN THIS,  
12   WITH THE URGENCY COMMUNICATED IN THE MOTION AND THE RESPONSE  
13   THAT'S EMANATING FROM THE CENTER TABLE. I'M TRYING TO SEE IF  
14   WE CAN'T GET THIS LINED UP IN SOME WAY SO THAT WE CAN PERHAPS  
15   GET WHERE WE NEED TO BE. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT PROBATION,  
16   AS IS CALLED FOR, SHOULD STEP UP, USE ITS IMAGINATION,  
17   INTELLECTUAL AND OTHERWISE, TO HELP RESOLVE THIS ISSUE. AFTER  
18   ALL, THIS IS A POPULATION FOR WHICH THEY ARE IN PART  
19   RESPONSIBLE. TO THE EXTENT THAT WE CAN WORK TOGETHER, I  
20   SUSPECT WE CAN DO BETTER THAN WE HAVE, AND IT'S A MISTAKE, I  
21   BELIEVE, WITHOUT BEING ACCUSATORY, TO NOT DO MORE. THE  
22   IMPRESSION THAT WE'RE THROWING UP OUR HANDS IS NOT A GOOD  
23   ONE. I ASSOCIATE MYSELF WITH THE CONCERNS ARTICULATED IN THE  
24   MOTION TO SEND MORE OF A MESSAGE OF URGENCY TOWARD RESOLUTION.  
25   MADAME CHAIR.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO IS THERE A MOTION?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M TRYING TO MOVE MY MOTION, BUT I WOULD ADD 15  
5 DAYS TO IT SINCE WE DIDN'T TAKE ANY ACTION TO MAKE IT 45. THAT  
6 WOULD TAKE US THROUGH THE END OF AUGUST.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THE VERBAL--

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOUR MOTION IS TO CONTINUE THESE SITES?

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12 **DARLINE ROBLES:** LEGALLY I CAN'T--

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WAIT. THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING FOR  
15 CLARIFICATION.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THERE A LEGAL ISSUE THAT I'M DEALING WITH?

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, NO, THERE'S AMBIGUITY LEGALLY.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING FOR CLARIFICATION.  
24 LET'S JUST GET A CLARIFICATION, PLEASE.

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1    **SUP. KNABE:** I'M ASKING FOR MY MOTION AS IT READS. IF THERE'S A  
2    LEGAL ISSUE, THEN I NEED--

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4    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THERE IS.

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6    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, I DID NOT HEAR A DEFINITIVE  
7    POINT EXPRESSED BY COUNTY COUNSEL.

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9    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS-- THE MOTION IS ITEM 9,  
10    THE ORIGINAL MOTION, BECAUSE WE'RE 30 DAYS IN-- 15 DAYS IN,  
11    HE'S ADDING 30 DAYS FROM TODAY. I WANTED TO GET THAT  
12    CLARIFICATION FIRST BECAUSE I THINK THAT CREATES A LEGAL  
13    PROBLEM.

14

15    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOWEVER, IF I CAN JUST ON THIS ISSUE CLARIFY  
16    IT. THE MOTION WHICH CALLED FOR A MORATORIUM ON THE CLOSURE OF  
17    ANY COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOLS, DID YOU IMPLEMENT SUCH A MORATORIUM  
18    IN THE FIRST 15 DAYS?

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20    **DARLINE ROBLES:** I'M SORRY?

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22    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M SORRY. DID YOU IMPLEMENT THE MORATORIUM  
23    THAT MR. KNABE'S MOTION ASKED FOR?

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1   **DARLINE ROBLES:** NO, BECAUSE LEGALLY I HAVE TO OWN THEM, AND  
2   THAT WOULD COST 3.9 MILLION.

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4   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE ALL RECOGNIZE THAT  
5   EXTENDING THE MOTION IS FINE EXCEPT SHE HASN'T BEEN ABLE TO,  
6   AND I UNDERSTAND WHY, I THINK WE SHOULD ALL UNDERSTAND WHY,  
7   SHE HASN'T BEEN ABLE TO IMPLEMENT EVEN THE FIRST 15 DAYS SO,  
8   IT'S ALMOST A MOOT ISSUE. THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO CLARIFY.

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10   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, TO THE CONTRARY, AND LET ME SAY TO  
11   THE CONTRARY, THE COUNTY COUNSEL WAS RESPONSIVE TO THE QUERY  
12   ABOUT WHETHER THIS WOULD TRIGGER A COMMITMENT BEYOND THE  
13   SPECIFIED AMOUNT OF TIME. I DID NOT HEAR A DEFINITIVE RESPONSE  
14   TO THAT. I EXPLICITLY HEARD YOU SAY THAT MIGHT BE THE CASE. IT  
15   SEEMS LIKE THAT WOULD BE THE CASE, BUT TO THE EXTENT THAT WE  
16   DON'T KNOW, WHY WOULD WE MAKE A DECISION IN THE BLIND? IT  
17   WOULD BE MORE OF A CONFIDENCE BUILDER IF WE HAD A DEFINITIVE  
18   DETERMINATION RATHER THAN ASSUMING THAT WE CAN'T DO THIS AND  
19   THAT WE WOULD INCUR MORE INDEBTEDNESS THAN WE MIGHT  
20   ANTICIPATE. ALL OF THAT UNDERSCORES, TO MY WAY OF THINKING,  
21   THE LACK OF DUE DILIGENCE THAT THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE WARRANTS.  
22   IT HAS NOT CAUSED ME TO FEEL LIKE WE'VE DONE OUR BEST WORK  
23   HERE AND I THINK WE CAN DO BETTER AND I THINK THAT THIS  
24   CERTAINLY MEANS THAT THE VERBAL REPORTS AND THE LIKE THAT WE  
25   ARE GETTING HAVE TO BE MEMORIALIZED IN A WAY THAT WE CAN



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1 REVIEW IT, OUR RESPECTIVE DEPUTIES CAN DO SO. THAT'S THE WAY  
2 HE'LL CAUSE ME TO WANT TO TAKE SERIOUSLY WHATEVER CONCLUSIONS  
3 YOU ULTIMATELY COME TO. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, IT'S JUST  
4 SIMPLY IS NOT COMPELLING.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DON'T WE JUST ASK ANDREA GIVE US AN  
7 OPINION.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CAN I HAVE COUNTY COUNSEL RESPOND ON THAT  
10 FIRST?

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12 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** AS TO THE FIRST QUESTION ABOUT THE  
13 POTENTIAL OF PUTTING ON EITHER TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES OR  
14 SUBSTITUTE EMPLOYEES FOR 30 DAYS OR 60 DAYS RESULTING IN A  
15 YEAR-LONG CONTRACT. I DID RESPOND BRIEFLY TO SUPERVISOR  
16 ANTONOVICH THAT THAT WAS MORE PROBABLE THAN NOT BECAUSE THAT'S  
17 THE WAY LAWYERS USUALLY TALK TO THEIR CLIENTS. HOWEVER, WE  
18 HAVE A FIVE-PAGE OPINION--

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO TRUER WORDS HAVE EVER BEEN SPOKEN.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT I'VE HEARD THIS LAWYER BE A LOT MORE  
23 DEFINITIVE ABOUT CERTAIN ISSUES.

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1   **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** BUT I AM ABOUT TO MOVE TO THAT,  
2   SUPERVISOR. WE DID LOOK AT IT INDEPENDENTLY AND TOOK NOT ONLY  
3   THE OPINION OF THE PRIOR COUNSEL INTO ACCOUNT, BUT  
4   INDEPENDENTLY RESEARCHED IT AND THERE IS INDEED A COMPLEX AND  
5   VERY RIGID SCHEME IN THE EDUCATION CODE WHICH IS DESIGNED  
6   PRECISELY TO NOT ALLOW ANY RUSE TO BE USED, ANY SUBSTITUTE TO  
7   BE USED, TO BRING ON SUBSTITUTES OR TO BRING ON TEMPORARY  
8   EMPLOYEES AND THERE IS, UNLIKE MOST CONTRACT LAW, LAST TIME WE  
9   TALKED ABOUT CONTRACT LAW, USUALLY YOU CAN CONTRACT TO ALMOST  
10   ANYTHING AND WAIVE YOUR RIGHTS. NOT IN THE EDUCATION CODE.  
11   CASE AFTER CASE HAS SAID, THIS IS THE MATTER OF PUBLIC POLICY,  
12   AND AS A MATTER OF PUBLIC POLICY, YOU ARE NOT ENTITLED TO  
13   WAIVE THAT, AND ANY WAIVER, ANY CONTRACT WILL BE NULL AND  
14   VOID. SO NOW WE HAVE TWO STRONG OPINIONS, FOUR PAGES. I WAS  
15   GIVEN A NEW OPINION THAT IT DOES NOT CITE ANY OF THE CASES  
16   THAT ARE IN OUR OPINIONS AND DOES ADMIT THAT IF IT APPEARS TO  
17   BE A RUSE TO GET AROUND THOSE SPECIFIC PROVISIONS IN THE  
18   EDUCATION CODE, THEN IT WILL BE NULL AND VOID. SO I NOW HAVE  
19   TWO VERY STRONG OPINIONS CITING MANY CASES THAT HAVE NOT BEEN  
20   OVERRULED AND A SHORTER OPINION WHICH ADMITS THAT IF IT  
21   APPEARS TO BE A RUSE, WHICH THIS COULD APPEAR TO BE, THEN YOU  
22   CANNOT HIRE TEMPORARY OR SUBSTITUTE EMPLOYEES. BUT AS TO  
23   SUPERVISOR KNABE'S POSITION AND QUESTION, THERE IS A REASON TO  
24   CONTINUE A MOTION AS YOU HAD ORIGINALLY, WHICH IS A REQUEST TO  
25   L.A.C.O.E. TO CONTINUE TO TAKE EVERY STEP POSSIBLE TO TRY AND



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1 CHANGE THE SITUATION AND AT LEAST BE ABLE TO PERHAPS REOPEN  
2 THE SCHOOLS IN SEPTEMBER. SO, I MEAN, I THINK THIS MOTION  
3 COULD BE WORKED WITH SO THAT YOU ARE REQUESTING THEM TO DO  
4 WHAT THIS BOARD WANTS IT TO DO.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** WE PRETTY MUCH CAN'T TELL THEM WHAT TO DO, BUT WE  
7 CAN REQUEST THEM.

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9 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** EXACTLY.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT PARTICULAR PIECE, BUT EVEN TO  
12 INFER THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR NEEDS WOULD BE  
13 CONSIDERED A RUSE I THINK IS, YOU KNOW, JUST NOT THERE. I  
14 MEAN, I UNDERSTAND HOW YOU USE THE WORD AND, YOU KNOW, I MEAN  
15 SOME OF OUR TEACHERS HAVE BEEN LET GO. OBVIOUSLY, THAT'S A  
16 SENIORITY THING AND THAT'S A UNION THING, BUT ON THE OTHER  
17 HAND, I JUST DON'T FEEL THAT WE'VE AVAILED OURSELVES TO EVERY  
18 OPPORTUNITY AND WHETHER, YOU KNOW, CREATIVE OR WHAT, WHETHER  
19 IT BE WITH PROBATION, WHETHER IT BE WITH OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED  
20 GROUPS, AND SO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO REWORD MY MOTION. I AM NOT  
21 CONTENT WITH THE ANSWER THAT I'VE RECEIVED.

22

23 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** PRECISELY. I'M HEARING THAT FROM ALL  
24 THE OTHER SUPERVISORS, AND I BELIEVE THERE IS A MOTION THERE  
25 THAT CAN BE MADE TO EXPRESS THAT IN THE STRONGEST TERMS. THE



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1 WORRY, OBVIOUSLY, ON THE LEGAL SIDE, IS NOT TO BE VIOLATING A  
2 PUBLIC POLICY THAT THE LEGISLATURE HAS ADHERED TO LO THESE  
3 MANY YEARS, WHETHER WE WOULD AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THAT  
4 PUBLIC POLICY IS A DIFFERENT SITUATION.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, MIGHT I REQUEST THAT THE  
7 COUNTY COUNSEL RETREAT TO HER ORIGINAL POSITION OF AMBIGUITY.  
8 THANK YOU SO MUCH. [LAUGHTER.]

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S A NICE REQUEST.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** SOUNDS LIKE A DEFINITE MAYBE.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, DID YOU WANT TO ADD  
15 ANYTHING? NO?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST HAVE THE OPINION, THAT SHE WAS GIVING US  
18 THE OPINION AND OUR HANDS ARE TIED BY THAT. AND OUR BOARD,  
19 AGAIN, TELLING THE STATE THEY NEED TO GIVE FLEXIBILITY TO  
20 SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DEAL WITH THESE ISSUES SO THEY'RE NOT LEFT  
21 WITH A 12-MONTH--

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT, I MEAN, THAT'S ESOTERIC.  
24 THAT'S LIKE SAYING, SOLVE OUR BUDGET ISSUES AND BALANCE OUR



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1 BUDGET. MY POINT BEING IS THAT THEN LET'S-- MY MOTION WOULD BE  
2 THEN--

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT IT WOULD BE DIFFERENT. YOU WANTED A  
5 DIFFERENT ANSWER. THAT'S A DIFFERENT ISSUE THAN, GO AHEAD AND  
6 FUND THIS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I KNOW WE CAN'T DO THAT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK YOU'RE ENTITLED TO FIND OUT HOW  
11 THAT HAPPENED AND YOU CAN MAKE THAT REQUEST, BUT I THINK  
12 THAT'S ALL THAT'S LEFT OF THE MOTION. SO IS THAT WHAT YOU WISH  
13 TO DO?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT YOU COULD DO, IF YOU JUST AMEND YOUR  
16 ORIGINAL MOTION TO SAY PROVIDED THAT IT DOESN'T JEOPARDIZE--  
17 DOESN'T COMMIT THEM TO--

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** THE INTENT OF MY MOTION WAS NOT TO IMPLEMENT A  
20 YEAR-LONG COMMITMENT.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THE ISSUE IS, AND IT SEEMS AS THOUGH WE'RE  
23 IN A SITUATION NOW, WHERE ALL YOU CAN DO IS ASK FOR A BETTER  
24 RATIONALE AS TO HOW THESE DECISIONS WERE MADE, BUT THE  
25 LIMITATIONS LEGALLY THAT WE HAVE HERE ARE VERY, VERY CLEAR. SO





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1 THEY CAN'T MOVE, WE CAN'T MOVE, AND WE'RE IN THIS SITUATION. I  
2 UNDERSTAND YOUR FRUSTRATION, BUT I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE  
3 THAT WE'RE NOT TRYING TO ASK THEM SOMETHING THAT THEY CANNOT  
4 DO AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S OBVIOUS THEY CAN'T DISCONTINUE THE PROGRAM--  
7 I MEAN, KEEP THE PROGRAMS OPEN FOR 30 DAYS BECAUSE SOMEONE'S  
8 TELLING ME IT'S GOING TO TRIGGER A YEAR-LONG COMMITMENT OR  
9 SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

10

11 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** THAT'S CORRECT, AND THEY HAVE ALREADY  
12 CLOSED THOSE SPECIFIC PROGRAMS, IN ANY EVENT SO, IF WE  
13 ELIMINATE THE MORATORIUM AND THEN ASKED FOR THEM TO BE  
14 REPORTING BACK FOR ADDITIONAL SOLUTIONS, PARTICULARLY TO START  
15 OFF IN SEPTEMBER.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. SO MOVED.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THAT UNDERSTOOD THAT ALL WE'RE DOING IS  
20 ASKING FOR OTHER OPTIONS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** UP TO AND INCLUDING PROBATION. I THINK WE NEED TO  
23 CONTINUE, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

24



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1   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO THAT IT IS CLEAR, IT IS ONLY ASKING  
2   WHAT OTHER OPTIONS OR ALTERNATIVES ARE AVAILABLE. IT IS NOT  
3   MAKING ANY COMMITMENT WHATSOEVER TO ANY CONTINUATION OF THESE  
4   PROGRAMS AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

5

6   **SUP. KNABE:** I KNOW. I UNDERSTAND.

7

8   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD HOPE THAT THE WAY THIS IS  
9   INTERPRETED IS NOT SIMPLY A RETROSPECTIVE LOOK AT WHAT WE OR  
10   WHAT THE L.A.C.O.E. BOARD OR THE SUPERINTENDENT HAS DONE, BUT  
11   ESSENTIALLY TO ENCOURAGE WHAT CAN BE DONE, WHICH THEN INCLUDES  
12   L.A.C.O.E., PROBATION, L.A.U.S.D. AND ANY OTHER ENTITIES. I  
13   THINK THE MAKER OF THE MOTION, WHICH I CERTAINLY SUPPORT,  
14   SEEKS OUR HARD WORK IN TRYING TO GET TO THIS IN A WAY THAT  
15   JUST ISN'T BEING SATISFACTORILY COMMUNICATED, AND SO I WOULD  
16   HOPE THAT THE SPIRIT OF WHAT IS BEING SUGGESTED COMES FORWARD  
17   AND MADAME SUPERINTENDENT, REMIND TO HAVE A FOLLOW-UP  
18   CONVERSATION WITH YOU.

19

20   **DARLINE ROBLES:** WILL DO, SIR, AND YOU WILL HAVE MY COMMITMENT  
21   TO LOOK PROSPECTIVE AND LOOK AT CREATIVE SOLUTIONS.

22

23   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO MADAME CHAIR, IS THERE A DATE CERTAIN  
24   AS TO WHEN WE HEAR BACK FROM--

25



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1    **SUP. KNABE:** HOPEFULLY PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1ST.

2

3    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, LET'S PIN IT DOWN, NOT HOPEFULLY.

4

5    **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, MY MOTION SET A MORATORIUM THAT SAID REPORT  
6    BACK IN 30 DAYS.

7

8    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** OR LESS.

9

10    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WAIT A MINUTE. WHAT'S YOUR MOTION? YOU KEEP  
11    GOING BACK AND FORTH. YOU'RE ELIMINATING THE MORATORIUM. I  
12    THOUGHT YOU WERE JUST GOING TO HAVE A MOTION AS WAS STATED BY  
13    COUNTY COUNSEL TO LOOK AT VARIOUS--

14

15    **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, HE'S ASKING FOR A TIME, AND I'M SAYING  
16    REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS.

17

18    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, BUT THAT'S IT. JUST REPORT BACK  
19    IN 30 DAYS. IS THAT FINE?

20

21    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** STATUS REPORT IN 30 DAYS.

22

23    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RIGHT. NO, JUST A REPORT BACK. WHAT WERE  
24    THE OPTIONS, WHAT OTHER ALTERNATIVES ARE AVAILABLE AND SO ON.  
25    AS LONG AS IT'S CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD, THIS BOARD IS NOT ASKING



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1 FOR CONTINUATION OF THE FUNDING OF THOSE PROGRAMS AT THOSE  
2 SCHOOLS. I DON'T WANT US TO GET INTO ANY LEGAL SITUATION WHERE  
3 WE'RE MAKING SOME KIND OF AN ORAL COMMITMENT TO KEEP THIS  
4 GOING ON AND WE'RE NOT. THAT'S WHY I KEEP EMPHASIZING IT. SO  
5 IT'S MERELY A REPORT BACK.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND, AND I KEEP EMPHASIZING, I AGREE WITH  
8 YOU.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT LET'S BE CLEAR. SO IT'S  
11 A REPORT BACK, REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS OF WHAT OPTIONS, WHAT  
12 ALTERNATIVES, WHAT ELSE COULD HAVE BEEN DONE, COULD BE DONE.  
13 ALL RIGHT? IS THERE ANY OBJECTION?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** AND AS TO WHY, ALSO THE OTHER PART IS-- WELL, YOU  
16 SAID IT WAS OKAY THAT I COULD ASK, MADAME CHAIR.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SURE, YOU CAN.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** WHY THE RATIONALE OF TWO-WEEK DECISION TO CLOSE  
21 THESE SCHOOLS WHEN THEY HAD SIX MONTHS TO DO SO IT.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND TO EXPLAIN THE RATIONALE FOR THE TWO-  
24 WEEK DECISION. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED. ALL  
25 RIGHT. YOU'RE DONE ON YOUR ITEMS? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. YOU



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1 HAD ONE MORE? SUPEVISOR ANTONIVICH, I'M SORRY. HE HAD ONE  
2 MORE, DIDN'T HE?

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THE FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENTS.  
5 ROWLAND MONTGOMERY, RETIRED CAPTAIN FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
6 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS WITH THE  
7 INSPECTION SERVICES. DOUGLAS OBERHOLTZER, RETIRED SERGEANT  
8 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HIS LAST  
9 ASSIGNMENT WAS THE HOMICIDE BUREAU. DEAN CHARLES RITCHIE, WHO  
10 HAD WORKED WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT. BETTY  
11 FITZGERALD, WHO WAS INVOLVED AS SECRETARY TO LA CRESCENTA  
12 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, LA CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS  
13 AND SHE REMAINED ACTIVE IN THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF BUSINESS  
14 PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS AND ATTAINED THE PRESIDENCY  
15 OF THE WILSHIRE CLUB AND L.A. SUNSET DISTRICT CLUB.  
16 CHRISTOPHER DAVIS, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 13, WHO IS THE  
17 STEPMOTHER WAS STEPHANIE SALATA, TOM SALATA'S DAUGHTER, AND  
18 BARBARA SHYER OF CLAREMONT WHO TAUGHT AT THE CLAREMONT UNIFIED  
19 SCHOOL DISTRICT. CHRIS WILSON, MARIE MELINE WAS ACTIVE IN ST.  
20 DOROTHY'S CHURCH IN GLENDORA. SANDRA HAYES MAY, WHO TAUGHT AT  
21 THE PALMDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT, JUNIPER SCHOOL FOR 35 YEARS.  
22 HAROLD MANSPERGER, VETERAN OF THE THE KOREAN CONFLICT,  
23 ANTELOPE VALLEY. CLEO BURTON, RETIRED FROM THE SUMIMOTO BANK  
24 AFTER 45 YEARS IN THE BANKING INDUSTRY, FROM LA VERNE. ANNA M.  
25 ANDERSON, 91, RESIDENT OF ARCADIA, AND MARTIN WILLIAM



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1 ALBRECHT, AGE 93, 40-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND  
2 A RETIRED MEMBER OF THE-- PASTOR. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING  
3 MOTIONS. THEN ON ITEM 14--

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM 14, I'D LIKE TO KNOW FROM MR. FUJIOKA  
8 HOW MANY POSITIONS IN TOTAL ARE BEING UPGRADED IN THE ARTS  
9 COMMISSION AND THE COST OF THAT RECLASSIFICATION OF THOSE  
10 UPGRADES.

11

12 **ELLEN SANDT:** ELLEN SANDT WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE. SUPERVISOR,  
13 FOUR POSITIONS ARE BEING UPGRADED. THE COST IS ABOUT \$100,000  
14 FOR ARTS COMMISSION. IT'S FOR THE FOUR POSITIONS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN WILL ANY OF THE POSITIONS BE OFFSET  
17 BY GRANT FUNDING, OR IS IT 100 PERCENT NET COUNTY COSTS.

18

19 **ELLEN SANDT:** WELL FORD THEATER MAKES A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF  
20 REVENUE OF ITS OWN, AND SO THAT PAYS FOR A LOT OF THE COSTS,  
21 AND WE DO GIVE NET COUNTY COSTS TO THE ARTS COMMISSION FOR THE  
22 BUDGET AS A WHOLE.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE DON'T KNOW IF ANY OF THE--

25





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1 **ELLEN SANDT:** IT'S HARD FOR ME TO TELL EXACTLY IF THESE  
2 POSITIONS WOULD BE TOTALLY OFFSET BY FORD THEATER REVENUES OR  
3 NOT.

4  
5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE THESE CURRENTLY FILLED--?

6  
7 **ELLEN SANDT:** YES. THEY'VE BEEN FILLED FOR SEVERAL YEARS. THE  
8 ISSUE WITH THESE IS THAT WE DON'T KNOW THE HISTORY FROM A LONG  
9 TIME AGO, BUT THEY WERE REMAINED THESE CLASSIFICATIONS LIKE  
10 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, BUT WHEN THEY LOOKED AT WHAT  
11 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS DO IN THE COUNTY COMPARED TO THE  
12 WORK THAT'S BEING DONE BY THESE PEOPLE TO RUN THE FORD THEATER  
13 IS VERY, VERY DIFFERENT AND SO THAT'S WHY THIS  
14 RECLASSIFICATION IS BEING RECOMMENDED.

15  
16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON DEALING WITH THE ISSUE ON HEALTH, A NUMBER  
17 OF COUNTY CLASSIFICATIONS WHICH IS THREE NEW CLASSIFICATIONS  
18 FOR MEDICAL CREDENTIALING WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
19 SERVICES, TWO OF THOSE WOULD BE ALLOCATED TO THE HOSPITALS IN  
20 THE MULTI-SERVICE AMBULATORY CARE CENTERS TO BRING STAFFING IN  
21 THE AREA IN LINE WITH INDUSTRY STANDARDS. THOSE POSITIONS  
22 WOULD REPORT TO THE FACILITY MEDICAL DIRECTOR AND PERFORM THE  
23 MEDICAL STAFF CREDENTIALING FUNCTIONS AT THE FACILITIES.  
24 HOWEVER, THE THIRD ITEM ESTABLISHES THE POSITION OF MEDICAL  
25 STAFF SERVICES DIRECTOR IN THE DEPARTMENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE



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1 OFFICES WHICH REPORTS DIRECTLY TO THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER  
2 AND THE FACT THAT THE BOARD ACTION WOULD ENABLE THE FACILITIES  
3 TO HIRE CERTIFIED EXPERTS IN THIS WELL ESTABLISHED FIELD  
4 DIRECTLY RAISES THE QUESTION AS TO THE NEED FOR THE ADDITIONAL  
5 ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION, PARTICULARLY GIVEN THE FINANCIAL  
6 CHALLENGES FACED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE STATE OF  
7 RESPONSIBILITIES WHICH ARE TO ESTABLISH DEPARTMENT-WIDE  
8 STANDARDIZED POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND PRACTICES COULD BE  
9 PERFORMED WITHIN THE CURRENT COMMITTEES' STRUCTURES THAT WE'VE  
10 ALREADY ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. ACCOUNTABILITY FOR  
11 ADHERENCE TO THOSE PROTOCOLS WOULD APPROPRIATELY BE MONITORED  
12 THROUGH THE CURRENT COMPLIANCE STRUCTURE UNDER THE  
13 DEPARTMENT'S AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION RATHER THAN BY A  
14 SINGLE NEW STAFF POSITION IN THE OFFICE THAT CREATED THE  
15 PROTOCOLS TO BEGIN WITH. SO THIS ACTION WOULD SERVE TO DO  
16 NOTHING MORE THAN CREATE ANOTHER LEVEL OF BUREAUCRACY. SO I  
17 WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION THAT THE BOARD REMOVE THE POSITION  
18 OF D.H.S. MEDICAL STAFF SERVICES DIRECTOR AND APPROVE THE  
19 REMAINING CLASSIFICATION ACTIONS CONTAINED IN THIS ITEM.

20  
21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE POSITION FOR THE CREDENTIALING PROCESS WAS  
22 RECOMMENDED IN LIGHT OF THE BOARD'S CONCERN THAT THERE'S NOT  
23 CENTRAL PROCESS OR PLACE WHERE THAT INFORMATION IS BEING  
24 COORDINATED. WE'RE ALSO WORKING WITH EVERY SINGLE MEDICAL  
25 CENTER AND WITH THAT, PEER- REVIEW GROUPS, TO STRENGTHEN THAT



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1   PROCESS. AND SO WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO, WE'LL FIND A WAY TO  
2   FUND IT SO THAT THERE'S NO NET COUNTY INCREASE, NO NET COUNTY  
3   COST INCREASE, BUT IT WAS MERELY AN ATTEMPT TO TRY AND  
4   STRENGTHEN THAT CREDENTIALING PEER-REVIEW PROCESS. TO HAVE A  
5   CENTRAL LOCATION AND HAVE WITH THAT, PROVIDE THE CHIEF MEDICAL  
6   OFFICER AND THE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN-- DIRECTOR OF HEALTH  
7   SERVICES TO HAVE A STRONGER OVERSIGHT OVER THAT PROCESS.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHY DO YOU NEED TO HIRE ANOTHER PERSON  
10   WHEN YOU ALREADY HAVE PEOPLE IN PLACE THAT COULD DO IT? I  
11   DON'T WANT TO REPLICATE WHAT L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES  
12   WHERE YOU HAVE ALL THESE ADMINISTRATORS AND NOBODY IN THE  
13   CLASSROOM. YOU HAVE 300, 600-MILLION-DOLLAR DEFICIT IN THE  
14   DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WE TEND TO BE ADDING TO THE  
15   ADMINISTRATIVE SIDE INSTEAD OF THE SERVICE SIDE.

16

17   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE INTENT IS TO FUND THIS WITHIN EXISTING  
18   RESOURCES. BUT GIVEN WHAT'S HAPPENING...

19

20   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU DON'T HAVE EXISTING RESOURCES, BECAUSE  
21   YOU ALREADY HAVE A DEFICIT.

22

23   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT GIVEN WHAT'S HAPPENING ON  
24   THE PEER REVIEW CREDENTIALING PROCESS, IT WAS JUST AN ATTEMPT



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1 TO CENTRALIZE THE OVERSIGHT AND WITH THAT TO STRENGTHEN THE  
2 PROCESS OF CREDENTIALING AND PEER REVIEW.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE A MOTION BEFORE US. IS  
5 THERE A SECOND? IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
6 HAS MADE A MOTION TO ELIMINATE THESE TWO CLASSIFICATIONS. IS  
7 IT TWO OR THREE?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE. IT'S JUST ONE CLASSIFICATION.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** JUST REMOVE THE ONE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ONE ADDITIONAL. ALL RIGHT. ANY  
16 OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, I WANTED TO RELEASE ITEM NUMBER 52.  
19 I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED AND SECONDED. IS THERE ANY  
22 OBJECTION? IF NOT, IT IS PASSED.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND I HAVE A MOTION FOR A REPORT BACK. "ON  
25 OCTOBER 10, 2000, OUR BOARD HAD DIRECTED THE TOXICOLOGY



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1    LABORATORY OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION WEIGHTS AND MEASURES  
2    TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF THE SMALL WELL WATER FACILITIES IN L.A.  
3    COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND COUNTY AGENCIES FOR  
4    THE PRESENCE OF CHROMIUM, LEAD AND ARSENIC. THAT REPORT GAVE  
5    THE COUNTY AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE ANALYTICAL RESULTS  
6    COMPARED TO THE HISTORICAL DATA REPORTED TO THE DEPARTMENT. I  
7    WOULD JUST LIKE TO MOVE THAT THE BOARD ASK THE TOXICOLOGY  
8    DEPARTMENT TO REPEAT THE WORK THAT WAS DONE IN 2000 TO  
9    IDENTIFY TRENDS AND CHANGES WITH A REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN  
10   60 DAYS." IT'S A REPORT BACK.

11

12    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S A RECORD BACK, SO WE CAN  
13    GO AHEAD AND ACCEPT THAT. IS THERE ANY PROBLEM, ANY OBJECTION?  
14    IF NOT, SO ORDERED.

15

16    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

17

18    **SUP. KNABE:** I ALSO HELD ITEM NUMBER 23, I FORGOT, BUT I JUST  
19    HAD AN AMENDMENT TO ITEM NUMBER 23.

20

21    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AN AMENDMENT TO 23?

22

23    **SUP. KNABE:** YES. ON TODAY'S AGENDA, OBVOIOUSLY THAT'S GOING TO  
24    BRING IN A LOT OF MONEY, THE "\$25 MILLION, TO THE COUNTY FOR  
25    CONTINUED EFFORTS TO IMPROVE PREPAREDNESS TO RESPOND TO



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1 BIOTERRORISM, INFECTIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAKS AND OTHER THREATS  
2 TO PUBLIC HEALTH, BUT I THINK WE NEED SOME ANSWERS TO SOME  
3 QUESTIONS BEFORE-- WHICH WOULD GIVE THIS BOARD AND THE  
4 TAXPAYERS GREATER ASSURANCE THAT THIS MONEY WE SPEND,  
5 SPECIFICALLY WHAT ARE THE MEASURABLE GOALS FOR IMPROVING  
6 PREPAREDNESS THAT THE DEPARTMENT PLANS TO ACHIEVE FOR THE  
7 COUNTY AS A WHOLE AND FOR EACH OF ITS SERVICE PLANNING AREAS  
8 OR COMMUNITIES? HOW ARE THE RESULTS GOING TO BE MEASURED,  
9 MONITORED AND REPORTED TO THE BOARD? THE BOARD LETTER WAS VERY  
10 UNCLEAR AS TO HOW THE MONEY WILL BE SPENT, SO I WOULD LIKE TO  
11 CONTINUE THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK AND THEN DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND  
12 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO PROVIDE EACH BOARD OFFICE WITH  
13 ANSWERS TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, PRIOR TO NEXT WEEK'S MEETING."  
14 ACTUALLY, I'D LIKE TO CONTINUE IT FOR TWO WEEKS BECAUSE I'D  
15 LIKE TO BE HERE.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS THE TIME-- WHAT IS THE TIMING OF  
18 ACCEPTANCE OF THIS GRANT?

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DOES THIS CREATE ANY PROBLEM?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE SOMEBODY HERE FROM THE DEPARTMENT  
23 OF PUBLIC HEALTH? IS THERE A TIME DEADLINE ON THE ACCEPTANCE  
24 OF THIS GRANT, MR. FREEDMAN?

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1    **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I'M NOT GOING TO BE HERE.

2

3    **JON FREEDMAN:** JON FREEDMAN, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH E. I  
4    BELIEVE THE GRANT PERIOD STARTS IN EARLY AUGUST.

5

6    **SUP. KNABE:** IF YOU ONLY NEED A WEEK, THEN THAT'S FINE, BUT I  
7    JUST THINK IT NEEDS TO BE SPELLED OUT PRETTY WELL. WE HAVE NO  
8    IDEA WHERE THE MONEY'S GOING, HOW THEY'RE GOING TO DO IT.

9

10    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE CAN ANOTHER THING I CAN SUGGEST, IT'S  
11    YOUR CALL. WE CAN APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF IT BUT NOT EXPEND  
12    ANY OF IT UNTIL YOU GET THAT REPORT AND THEN YOU CAN HAVE MORE  
13    THAN A COUPLE WEEKS, IF YOU WANT.

14

15    **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. WE WANT TO ACCEPT THE GRANT APPLICATION, SO  
16    EITHER WAY THEY'RE GOING TO TELL US HOW THEY'RE GOING TO SPEND  
17    IT.

18

19    **JON FREEDMAN:** WE'RE DEVELOPING THAT INFORMATION, AND AS YOU'VE  
20    MENTIONED, WE'VE HAD THIS GRANT FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, SO WE  
21    WILL BE PROVIDING YOUR OFFICES WITH THAT DETAILED INFORMATION  
22    AS WELL AS THE PROGRESS TO PERFORMANCE OF THE COUNTY ON  
23    MEETING THE GRANT OBJECTIVES.

24

25    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS IT APPLICATION OR IS IT GRANT ACCEPTANCE?



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2 **JON FREEDMAN:** ACCEPTANCE.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'VE BEEN GRANTED THE MONEY.

5

6 **JON FREEDMAN:** CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IF I CAN SUGGEST A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT,  
9 THAT WE APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF IT, BUT GET A REPORT THAT  
10 YOU ASKED FOR IN TWO WEEKS. THAT'S MY AMENDMENT..

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THAT ACCEPTABLE?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** ABSOLUTELY.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT,  
17 SO ORDERED ON THAT. OKAY. I JUST NEED A CLARIFICATION. ON ITEM  
18 NUMBER-- WAS IT 14. I LOST IT. DID WE ALSO INCLUDE. 15 WITH  
19 IT. I KNOW, I THINK WE NEED TO, RIGHT? SO I THINK WE HAVE TO  
20 HAVE THAT AS WELL AS THE ORDINANCE THAT SUPPLEMENTS THAT. ON  
21 ITEM NUMBER 53, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY  
22 MYSELF IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. SO THAT  
23 TAKES CARE OF THAT ITEM WE HAVE A COUPLE OF ITEMS THAT HAVE  
24 BEEN HELD BY THE PUBLIC. WE HAVE ITEM NUMBER 24 AND 26. ON  
25 ITEM NUMBER 24, WE HAVE CARLA ANDRUS, JOHN NAHHAS AND DAN



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1 GOTTSLIEB. IF THEY'D JOIN US. THEY'RE COMING UP? COULD YOU ALSO  
2 SPEAK ON ITEM 26? YOU SIGNED UP FOR THOSE ITEMS AS WELL. THANK  
3 YOU. SO, WHO IS GOING TO BEGIN? MR. NAHHAS?

4

5 **JOHN NAHHAS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOHN  
6 NAHHAS. I'M WITH THE BOATING COALITION. THIS ITEM REQUIRES A  
7 LOOK AT THE MINIMUM RENT, AND THE MINIMUM RENT REQUIRES AN  
8 ADJUSTMENT EVERY 10 YEARS FOR THIS PARCEL FOR FOG HORN INN.  
9 THAT LAST PERCENTAGE ADJUSTMENT WAS DONE IN 1997. THE LETTER  
10 OF THE BOARD DOESN'T MENTION ANY ADJUSTMENT OF THIS PERCENTAGE  
11 IN 2007. THE DIRECTOR OF BEACHES AND HARBORS HAS STATED THAT  
12 HE IS TRYING TO CLEAN THINGS UP BUT THREE YEARS AFTER THE  
13 FACT, NOBODY AT BEACHES AND HARBORS HAD A PLANNER OR A  
14 CALENDAR BY WHICH THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE ADJUSTED. FOR THREE  
15 YEARS, THE PERCENTAGE RENT ADJUSTMENTS WERE DELINQUENT. WHO  
16 BENEFITS BY NOT ADJUSTING THESE RENTS? CERTAINLY NOT THE  
17 CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, NOT THE TAXPAYERS. BECAUSE OF  
18 THIS DELINQUENCY AND OVERSIGHT BY TAXPAYERS, MAY LOSE HUNDREDS  
19 OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. NOW WE ARE IN A CURRENT SITUATION  
20 WHERE THE RENTS ARE NOT GOING TO BE ADJUSTED AFTER THIS LESSEE  
21 AND OTHER HOTEL OWNERS HAD RECORD PROFITS IN THE-- IN THIS  
22 DECADE. THE TAXPAYERS AND THE COUNTY SHOULD RAISE THESE RENTS.  
23 THIS BOARD COULD DOUBLE THE RENTS BY THE LESSEE AND THE  
24 COUNTY, WOULD STILL GET THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY. THIS WOULD  
25 CREATE A MECHANISM THAT WOULD ENSURE THE CONTINUED USE OF THIS



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1 HOTEL AND OUR PUBLIC LANDS IN MARINA DEL REY, A REQUIREMENT BY  
2 OUR LAND USE PLAN. BY OPENING UP THIS HOTEL FOR ALL OF OUR  
3 CITIZENS, THE MARINA AND OUR PUBLIC LANDS WILL GET BACK ON  
4 TRACK AND ALLEVIATE THE GIFT OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY THESE  
5 DEVELOPERS-- TO THESE DEVELOPERS. SUPPORTING THIS ACTION OF NO  
6 RENTAL ADJUSTMENT WOULD OPEN THE BOARD TO QUESTIONABLE  
7 POLITICAL PRACTICES AND BRING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS INTO  
8 PLAY. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. GOTTLIEB? WHO IS NEXT? MISS ANDRUS?

11

12 **DAN GOTTLIEB:** I'LL TAKE BACK MY TIME. I WANT TO PASS THIS  
13 INFORMATION OUT TO THE SUPERVISORS.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. VERY GOOD. MISS ANDRUS?

16

17 **CARLA ANDRUS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
18 MY NAME IS CARLA ANDRUS. IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, AND I DON'T  
19 THINK I AM, I LIVE CLOSE TO THE FOG HORN, AND I'VE SEEN THE  
20 CHEESECAKE FACTORY DOING ITS RENOVATIONS OVER THERE. PARCEL  
21 22, THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY, HAS TAKEN A SLICE OF THE NORTH  
22 SIDE OF THE FOG HORN TO EXPAND ITS RESTAURANT. THIS OBVIOUSLY  
23 CHANGES THE-SQUARE-FOOTAGE OF THE FOG HORN CONTRARY TO WHAT  
24 THE LETTER TO THE BOARD STATES. THIS CHANGE WAS NOT VETTED  
25 THROUGH PROCESS AND IT WOULD REQUIRE A LAND USE AMENDMENT FROM



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1 THE COASTAL COMMISSION AND A NEW PARCEL MAP. THIS IS AN  
2 ILLEGAL ACTION. THE FOG HORN'S LEASE IS UP IN 2022. THERE IS  
3 STILL 12 YEARS ON THIS LEASE. A LEASE EXTENSION IS NOT  
4 JUSTIFIED. WE SHOULD CONSIDER ALLOWING THIS LEASE TO EXPIRE  
5 AND REVERT BACK TO THE COUNTY FOR EXPANSION AND OVERDUE  
6 IMPROVEMENTS OF MOTHER'S BEACH.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.

9

10 **JOHN NAHHAS:** NO ONE WAS LISTENING.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'RE ALL LISTENING.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES THE TESTIMONY ON ITEM  
15 NUMBERS 24 AND 26. MOVED BY-- WHO IS SITTING HERE? OKAY. I  
16 DON'T HAVE A I DON'T HAVE A QUORUM.

17

18 **JOHN NAHHAS:** WE LOST QUORUM DURING HER SPEAKING.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT. ALL RIGHT.  
21 PUBLIC COMMENT. I THINK THOSE ARE ALL THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.  
22 WE HAVE VARIOUS PEOPLE HERE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. IF I COULD ASK  
23 LEONARD ROSE TO PLEASE JOIN US, FOLLOWED BY TIMOTHY LESTER,  
24 IRENE PANG.

25



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1     **JOHN NAHHAS:** ITEM 26?

2

3     **CARLA ANDRUS:** WHAT HAPPENED TO ITEM 26?

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5     **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY?

6

7     **JOHN NAHHAS:** ITEM 26. YOU SAID WE WERE GOING TO SPEAK ON ITEM  
8     26.

9

10    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, NO. I SAID YOU WERE SPEAKING TO BOTH  
11    ITEMS.

12

13    **CARLA ANDRUS:** WE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THAT.

14

15    **JOHN NAHHAS:** ITEM 24.

16

17    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I SAID IT TWICE, YOU'RE SPEAKING TO BOTH  
18    ITEMS, 24 AND 26.

19

20    **JOHN NAHHAS:** I THOUGHT WE WERE-- WE WERE ALL SPEAKING ON 24  
21    AND THEN --

22

23    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU EACH A  
24    MINUTE MORE. PLEASE SPEAK NOW TO ITEM NOW 26.

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1 **CARLA ANDRUS:** OKAY. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO ITEM 26.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** PLEASE GO AHEAD.

4

5 **CARLA ANDRUS:** WE SUPPORT THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS  
6 AND APPLAUD DIRECTOR SANTOS KREIMAN ON HIS RECOMMENDATION TO  
7 WITHDRAW THE PROPOSAL ON 49 AND 77. THIS IS NOT THE RIGHT  
8 PROJECT FOR OUR PUBLIC LAUNCH RAMP. THE COASTAL COMMISSION IS  
9 OBLIGATED TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE TO THE COASTAL ACT MAKING THIS  
10 A NON-STARTER. THE PUBLIC HAS OBJECTED LOUDLY TO SUCH A  
11 PROPOSAL AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAME FORWARD WITH MANY  
12 EXCELLENT IDEAS FOR THESE PARCELS WHICH WOULD MAINTAIN AND  
13 ENHANCE BOATING RECREATION AND VISITOR SERVING USES. THIS IS  
14 AN OPPORTUNITY TO REMIND THE COUNTY AND THE DEVELOPERS THAT  
15 THEY ARE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF THE  
16 MARINA DEL REY. IT WOULD BE MORE PRUDENT AND BETTER SERVE ALL  
17 OF US TO INCLUDE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THESE REQUESTS FOR  
18 PROPOSALS. THIS FURTHER HIGHLIGHTS THE NEED FOR A MASTER PLAN.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. NAHHAS.

21

22 **JOHN NAHHAS:** THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY OF MARINA DEL REY  
23 HAVE BEEN TO THIS BOARD NUMEROUS TIMES REGARDING THIS ISSUE  
24 AND ISSUES LIKE THIS. THE PUBLIC HAS STATED OVER AND OVER  
25 AGAIN THAT ANY R.F.P. ON THIS PARCEL WITH THE PUBLIC LAUNCH



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1 RAMP CANNOT INVOLVE RESIDENTIAL OR DENSE DEVELOPMENT TO HINDER  
2 THE LAUNCHING OF OUR 60,000 BOATS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE  
3 COASTAL COMMISSION HEARD THE COMMUNITY'S CONCERNS AND AGREED  
4 WITH US. NOW THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS HAS COME TO  
5 TERMS WITH OUR CONCERNS ABOUT THE PUBLIC LAUNCH RAMP BUT ONLY  
6 LISTS THE STATE'S CONCERNS IN THE LETTER TO THE BOARD. WE  
7 WOULD LIKE THIS BOARD TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE COME BEFORE  
8 YOU SEVERAL TIMES TO TELL YOU THAT THE PUBLIC LAUNCH RAMP IN  
9 MARINA DEL REY IS EXTREMELY VALUABLE AND THAT WE ARE NOW  
10 WANTING TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS FOR  
11 FINALLY ACKNOWLEDGING BUT NOT JUST BY THE STATE'S CONCERNS,  
12 BUT BY USING THE MECHANISM OF PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT. WHY WE'RE  
13 HERE TODAY TO TALK TO YOU TODAY BY ENLISTING YOUR ATTENTION  
14 AND GETTING SOME KIND OF PUBLIC SENSE FROM YOU GUYS ON HOW  
15 THIS PUBLIC LAUNCH RAMP IS GOING TO DEVELOP IN THE FUTURE.  
16 THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. GOTTLIEB, DID YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO  
19 ADD?

20

21 **DANIEL GOTTLIEB:** I'M DAN GOTTLIEB, DANIEL HENRY GOTTLIEB, AND  
22 GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I APPLAUD THE FACT THAT THE COASTAL  
23 COMMISSION HAS STOOD UP AND SAID THAT PARCELS 44 AND 76  
24 SHOULDN'T BE TAMPERED WITH AND I MIGHT FEEL THAT I TOOK A  
25 LITTLE RESPONSIBILITY IN DOING IT BECAUSE I PROVIDED THE



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1 INFORMATION WHICH I GAVE TO YOU, WHICH IS A COMPENDIUM OR  
2 EXAMPLES OF TOTALLY INCORRECT ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN PUT INTO  
3 E.I.R.S AND REPORTS, AND I HAND IT TO YOU AND I HANDED IT TO  
4 VARIOUS OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND MR. LESSER SAID, "WHAT AM I  
5 SUPPOSED TO DO WITH THIS?" I COULDN'T ANSWER HIM THEN, BUT I  
6 NOW HAVE A LIST, WHICH I'LL TELL YOU LATER, OF THINGS THAT YOU  
7 CAN DO WITH IT, BUT FIRST YOU SHOULD BE TROUBLED BY IT. YOU  
8 SHOULD BE TROUBLED BY THESE ERRORS I'M GIVING YOU. THEY'RE  
9 LIKE A CANARY IN A GOLD MINE-- IN A COAL MINE. OKAY.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES THE  
12 TESTIMONY. THANK YOU SO MUCH. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE TO HOLD OFF  
13 ON THE VOTE. MR. ROSE? IF YOU'D GIVE UP YOUR SEATS, PLEASE.  
14 THANK YOU. FOLLOWED BY TIMOTHY LESTER, FOLLOWED BY IRENE PANG,  
15 AND THEN MR. GOTTLIEB, YOU SIGNED UP AGAIN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.  
16 YES. SUPERVISOR KNABE IS BACK. WE HAVE ITEM 24 AND 26 BEFORE  
17 US. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.  
18 ALL RIGHT. LET'S BEGIN, MR. ROSE.

19

20 **LEONARD ROSE:** I'M HERE TO TALK ABOUT ABOUT A MARIJUANA PROCESS  
21 IN 90, YES OR NO, COMING UP ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. I GOT THIS  
22 STUDENT LIFE HELP CENTER AT \_\_\_\_\_ YOU KNOW AND ON  
23 GOOGLE.COM, WHAT THE HARMFUL EFFECT OF MARIJUANA, AND IT SAID  
24 EVERYTHING ABOUT WHAT MARIJUANA DOES TO YOUR BODY, YOU KNOW,  
25 INCREASES YOUR HEART AND RAISES YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE AND



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1 SOMETIMES PEOPLE SLEEPING AND MOST OF THE TIME IT COULD STOP  
2 THE HEART AND YOU COULD DIE FROM MARIJUANA IF YOU TAKE TOO  
3 MUCH. YOU COULD CHECK OUT GOOGLE.COM WHAT HARMFUL EFFECT  
4 MARIJUANA. THIS GUY, HOMELESS GUY NAMED JESSE, HE WORE AN  
5 ORANGE SHIRT AND WHITE TEE SHIRT. HE TOUCH GUYS' HAIR, HE  
6 TOUCHED MY HAIR A LOT, AND THIS WAS TAKEN AT GRIFFIN PARK,  
7 PASADENA, AND HE BLESSED FOUR GUYS AT THE PARK THERE AND HE  
8 HANGS OUT AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER IN THE PARK, YOU KNOW, AND A  
9 CHURCH, YOU KNOW, SLEEP, HE'S HOMELESS, YOU KNOW, AND HE  
10 AUTISM. PASTOR TONY KICKED HIM OUT OF CHURCH LAST MONTH AGO  
11 BECAUSE HE KEEP TOUCHING ME, YOU KNOW, AND HE CAME OUT AND  
12 THEN HE CAN'T COME THERE NO MORE, AND SO THIS GUY NEED TO BE  
13 PUT IN A STATE HOSPITAL, AND I WANT TO TALK TO THE MENTAL  
14 HEALTH CENTER ABOUT THIS GUY. I WROTE TWO LETTERS AND THIS  
15 LAST TUESDAY, HE HANG AROUND METHODIST CHURCH AND SLEEP OVER  
16 THERE AND TWO SHERIFFS CAME UP TO HIM, AND \_\_\_\_\_ TWO LADIES  
17 WORK AT THE METHODIST CHURCH CALLED THE POLICE AND JESSE HANG  
18 AROUND RIGHT IN FRONT OF THAT CHURCH, AND THOSE PEOPLE HAD TO  
19 WORK. AND HE HARASS PEOPLE TOO MUCH, YOU KNOW, AND TALK TO  
20 PEOPLE AT COMMUNITY CENTER AND A LOT AND HIS FAMILY PASSED  
21 AWAY AND HE HOMELESS AND THIS GUY NEED TO PUT AWAY. AND WHEN  
22 PEOPLE VOTE FOR MANY WHITE MEN, GOVERNOR, AND HE CREATED JOB  
23 AND AFFECTS OUR EDUCATION AND TRAIN OUR SENATOR AND WE NEED TO  
24 TRAIN OUR SENATOR, OUR GOVERNOR, YOU KNOW, AND WE NEED TO GET  
25 PEOPLE BACK TO WORK ON THE JOB AND KEEP THE ECONOMY GOING AND



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1 I HOPE YOU GO ON HER WEBSITE AT MAEWHITEMAN.COM IF YOU WANT TO  
2 KNOW ABOUT HER AND I WANT HER TO BE THE GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA  
3 BECAUSE SHE KNOWS HOW TO GET PEOPLE JOBS. I WISH YOU GUYS GOOD  
4 LUCK FOR THAT IF YOU SEND SOMEBODY TO TALK TO MENTAL HEALTH  
5 CENTER, I CAN TALK TO THEM. THANK YOU.

6

7 **TIM LESTER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS TIM LESTER AND I'M THE  
8 VICE PRESIDENT AND CO-FOUNDER OF PASSION CARE CENTER HERE IN  
9 LOS ANGELES. WE'RE A DRUG AND ALCOHOL PREVENTION PROGRAM, AND  
10 I'M HOLDING IN MY HAND A BULLETIN FROM THE STATE A.D.P. THEY  
11 ARE THREATENING TO STOP ACCEPTING OR ISSUING CONTRACTS FOR  
12 A.D.P. TREATMENT. I'VE BEEN TOLD BY SOMEONE OVER AT THE COUNTY  
13 OFFICE THAT COUNTY COUNSEL WAS LOOKING INTO THIS, WHETHER OR  
14 NOT IT WAS LEGAL FOR THEM TO FORCE IT BACK ON THE COUNTY OR DO  
15 AWAY WITH IT. I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK THE BOARD TO REALLY LOOK  
16 AT THIS BECAUSE IF THEY WIPE OUT THESE PROGRAMS, THOSE  
17 PROGRAMS ARE IN THE FIRST AND SECOND DISTRICT AND THERE'S ONLY  
18 67 OF THEM IN THE STATE, AND I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER OR NOT  
19 THIS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE NEXT MEETING OR CAN I GET IT ON  
20 THE AGENDA.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** DO WE HAVE AN ANSWER ON THAT?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CAN WE GET AN ANSWER ON THAT?

25



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1   **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** WE COULD HAVE A REPORT BACK.

2

3   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. LET'S HAVE A REPORT BACK ON THAT SO YOU  
4   CAN RECEIVE IT, HE'LL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE A COPY OF THAT. OKAY.  
5   THANK YOU, SIR. BEFORE I CALL IRENE, DAN, YOU'RE DAN, OKAY,  
6   AND CARLA ANDRUS AND JOHN NAHHAS. OKAY. MISS PANG.

7

8   **IREN PANG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME, I AM IRENE. I'VE SEEN AND  
9   EXPLAINED ALL THE VICTIMS, THEY NEED HELP FROM THE PUBLIC AND  
10   THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COUNTY IN U.S. FIRST. THEN CAN SAVE ALL  
11   THE VICTIMS UP FROM THE ZERO OF THEIR BASEMENT OF THE HUMAN.  
12   \_\_\_\_\_ AND SUFFER AND KNIFE DANGER FROM THE ONE  
13   RELATIONS. SAY AGAIN, AGAINST THOSE STEALING PERSONAL CLOTHING  
14   AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AWAY FROM THE U.S. CITIZENS \_\_\_\_\_.  
15   THEN THE VICTIMS CAN RETURN TO THEIR OWN HOUSE AND THEIR  
16   BUSINESS. NUMBER FOUR: I AGAINST ONE RELIGION TORTURES ANY  
17   STUDENT AND ADULT, AND AGAINST PUT THE \_\_\_\_\_ IN THE  
18   FOOD, AND FOOD PRODUCTS, TO HARM THE U.S. CITIZENS AND THE  
19   HUMAN BEING OF OTHERS. I BELIEVE IN THEM HELPING FOR THE  
20   GOVERNMENTS AND PUBLIC IS AN ACCESSORY AND IS HARD WORK TO  
21   CONFIRM THE COUNTY AND U.S. THE SAFE CONDITION AND \_\_\_\_\_.  
22   AND EVEN THOUGH \_\_\_\_\_ WERE PEACEFUL. ALSO IS THEIR HIGH, IS  
23   THE TIME FOR U.S. AND OTHER NATIONS TAKE THE ACTION TO PUNISH  
24   THOSE IN \_\_\_\_\_ PATIENTS AND THEIR ASSOCIATES. ALSO, I  
25   CONCERN MY FAMILY AND MY BROTHERS, AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS,





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1 THEIR SAFETY ABOUT HAVE BEEN ATTACKED BY THEIR ONE RELATIONS.  
2 \_\_\_\_\_ GOVERNMENT OF THEIR COUNTIES AND U.S. GOVERNMENT,  
3 THEIR SUPPORT AND CONCERN. THANK YOU.

4  
5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. IS JOHN NAHHAS HERE? OKAY. AND  
6 THEN ARNOLD SACHS. YES, SIR.

7  
8 **DANIEL GOTTLIEB:** MY NAME IS DAN GOTTLIEB. I GAVE YOU THIS LIST  
9 AND I'LL REPHRASE LESTER'S QUESTION. HE SAYS, "WHAT AM I  
10 SUPPOSED TO DO WITH IT?" FIRST OF ALL, YOU SHOULD BE TROUBLED  
11 BY IT. IT'S AN ACCUSATION AGAINST THE COMPETENCE AND THE-- OF  
12 THE WHOLE PROCESS, GOVERNMENT, AND SO YOU SHOULD GO TO YOUR  
13 MATH DEPARTMENT OR TO KNOWLEDGEABLE PERSON AND MAKE SURE IF  
14 YOU CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT'S WRONG WITH IT DIRECTLY, MAKE SURE  
15 THAT YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING ON. THAT'S WHY I DID THIS.  
16 AND THEN ONCE YOU REALIZE IT, THEN MAKE CERTAIN LITTLE MOTIONS  
17 WHICH WILL TRY AND CHANGE THE CULTURE WHICH PRODUCED THIS. FOR  
18 EXAMPLE, YOU MIGHT ASK TOUGH QUESTIONS, LIKE WE'VE GOTTEN FROM  
19 ZEV, WHICH WOULD FORCE SOME PEOPLE TO ACTUALLY VIOLATE THEIR  
20 OATH OF TELLING THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, NOTHING BUT THE  
21 TRUTH WHEN THEY GET UP HERE AND TRY AND DEFEND SOME OF THESE  
22 MISTAKES. SECONDLY, I BELIEVE YOU SHOULD NEVER MAKE A LEASE  
23 ANYMORE WHICH OBLIGATES THE COUNTY'S LAWYERS TO DEFEND THE  
24 DEVELOPERS. THAT VIOLATES THE CANON OF ETHICS OF THE ATTORNEY  
25 BY GIVING HIM TWO CLIENTS WITH OPPOSING INTERESTS. I AS A



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1 PERSON WOULD LIKE THE COUNSEL TO GIVE THE REGULATORY BODIES  
2 EXACTLY WHAT THE LAW IS AND THEN MAYBE TELL THEM WHAT THEY CAN  
3 GET AWAY WITH, BUT AT LEAST TELL THEM WHAT THE LAW IS, AND THE  
4 DEVELOPERS SEEM TO HAVE-- WANT TO SUPPRESS LAWS THAT BOTHER  
5 THEM, SO I THINK THIS IS A TERRIBLE THING TO DO AND IT'S A  
6 RELATIVELY EASY THING TO DO TO PREVENT-- TO MAKE SURE THAT THE  
7 COUNTY DOESN'T FORCE THE LAWYERS INTO THIS-- YOUR COUNSEL INTO  
8 THIS UNCOMPROMISING POSITION. ANOTHER POSSIBILITY IS THINGS  
9 YOU COULD DO IS MAYBE OPEN UP THE PUBLIC COMMUNICATION AND  
10 INFORMATION. FOR EXAMPLE, FOR ABOUT A HALF A YEAR, IT'S BEEN  
11 IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME, AT LEAST, AND I THINK SEVERAL OTHER PEOPLE,  
12 MANY PEOPLE TO LOOK AT THE TAPES ON VIDEOS OF THESE MEETINGS.  
13 WE USED TO BE ABLE TO LOOK AT THEM AND COMPARE AND SEE WHAT WE  
14 SAID AND SEE WHAT HAPPENED, BUT NOW THEY'RE OFF THE NET. I  
15 THINK THAT ONE OF YOU-- IT BEHOOVES YOU TO TRY AND FIX THIS.  
16 AND I THINK YOU SHOULD TRY AND MAKE THE PRESS MORE WELCOME,  
17 YOU SHOULD LET THEM INTO YOUR BACK ROOMS, WHICH YOU'VE  
18 EXPELLED THEM FROM, AND JUDGE AS AN INDICATOR OF YOUR PROGRESS  
19 HOW MANY OF THEM ARE UPSTAIRS IN THAT PRESS ROOM. THERE WAS  
20 ONLY ONE WHEN I WENT THERE IN JANUARY.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. GOTTLIEB.

23

24 **DAN GOTTLIEB:** ONE REPORTER.

25



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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MISS ANDRUS, DID YOU SPEAK  
2    ALREADY?

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4    **CARLA ANDRUS:** COULD WE ALLOW MR. NAHHAS TO GO FIRST?

5

6    **JOHN NAHHAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. LIKE I SAY, I'M REALLY  
7    CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT JUST HAPPENED HERE. WE SPOKE ON AN ITEM.  
8    TWO OF YOUR SUPERVISORS GOT UP AND LEFT. ONE, I SAT THERE AND  
9    WITNESSED, WAS TALKING TO SOMEONE ELSE. OUR PUBLIC PROCESS IS  
10   NOT IN THIS ROOM, OR CERTAINLY WASN'T FOR THOSE TWO ITEMS. HE  
11   COMES BACK TO HIS CHAIR, MADAME CHAIR SAYS, SO ORDERED, AND AN  
12   ITEMS JUST GET SNAPPED DOWN. I DON'T THINK YOU CAN RECITE ANY  
13   TWO FACTS THAT I BROUGHT UP IN MY PRESENTATION, AND I DON'T  
14   UNDERSTAND HOW THIS IS CONSIDERED A PUBLIC PROCESS WHEN WE  
15   HAVE YOU GUYS GETTING AND UP WALKING AWAY, TALKING TO YOUR  
16   STAFF. THAT CAN BE DONE AT ANOTHER TIME. IF I TAKE A DAY OFF  
17   WORK, COME DOWN AND VOICE MY CONCERNS, THEN THE LEAST YOU CAN  
18   DO IS LISTEN, AND THAT REALLY IS UPSETTING. YOU KNOW, YOU SAY,  
19   MADAME CHAIR, THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO MICROMANAGE, AND THE  
20   ONLY-- YOU SAID IT SEVERAL TIMES, BUT YOU DON'T WANT TO  
21   MICROMANAGE--

22

23   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU DON'T WANT TO MICROMANAGE WHAT?

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1   **JOHN NAHHAS:** YOU DON'T WANT TO MICROMANAGE YOUR DEPARTMENTS.  
2   YOU DONT WANT TO MICROMANAGE THINGS THAT HAPPEN WITHIN THE  
3   COUNTY; THAT YOU WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE DEPARTMENTS ARE  
4   DOING THEIR OWN SEPARATE THINGS. THE ONLY WAY YOU HAVE OF  
5   KNOWING THAT THESE DEPARTMENTS ARE DOING WELL IS BY PUBLIC  
6   INVOLVEMENT, IS BY US COMING DOWN HERE AND BEING THE CANARIES  
7   IN THE COAL MINE AND TELLING YOU THINGS AREN'T WORKING RIGHT,  
8   AND YET IT'S GOING TO BE IGNORED. YOU'RE GOING TO GET OUT OF  
9   YOUR CHAIR AND YOU'RE NOT EVEN GOING TO LISTEN AND YOU'RE NOT  
10   GOING TO KNOW. AND THEN AT SOME POINT YOU'RE GOING TO BE  
11   SURPRISED ABOUT IT. TODAY, IT'S 865-- DAY 865 OF NOT HAVING A  
12   DISTRICT TWO REPRESENTATIVE IN A SMALL-- IN OUR SMALL CRAFT  
13   HARBOR COMMISSION. DAY 865 OF NOT HAVING A COMMISSIONER FOR  
14   DISTRICT TWO. MR. KNABE MADE SEVERAL REMARKS LAST WEEK  
15   REGARDING THE MARINA CITY CLUB AND THE MASTER PLAN FOR DOCK  
16   DEVELOPMENT, AND THAT CONCERNS ME AND IT CONCERNS OUR  
17   COMMUNITY MEMBERS BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT A MASTER  
18   PLAN IN MARINA DEL REY FOR DOCK DEVELOPMENT AND LAND SITE  
19   DEVELOPMENT FOR A LONG TIME AND MR. KNABE'S REMARKS LAST WEEK  
20   WERE THAT WE REALLY-- WE TALKED TO THE COASTAL COMMISSION  
21   ABOUT THIS, WE REALLY SHOULDN'T CONCERN OURSELVES SO MUCH WITH  
22   THE MASTER PLAN RIGHT NOW. LET'S JUST HAVE A FEW OF THESE GO  
23   FORWARD. YOU RECALL THAT?  
24  
25   **SUP. KNABE:** NOT WHAT I SAID.



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2 **JOHN NAHHAS:** ALONG THOSE LINES. WE NEED A MASTER PLAN.  
3 ANYTHING THAT-- LESS THAN A MASTER PLAN IN THIS PIECEMEALING  
4 PROCESS WHICH IS HAPPENING IS BAD PLANNING, AND I THINK THAT,  
5 YOU KNOW, WE HAD A LOT OF PEOPLE PICK UP ON THIS, NOT JUST  
6 FROM THE STATE, BUT FROM EVEN IN THIS COUNTY, THAT  
7 PIECEMEALING PLANNING IS BAD AND THAT WE'VE GOT TO HAVE  
8 COMMUNITY-BASED PLANNING, AND, GUYS, WE HAVE TO HAVE A PUBLIC  
9 PROCESS BY WHICH WE CAN COME DOWN HERE AND EXPLAIN WHAT'S  
10 HAPPENING AND YOU GUYS ARE LISTENING, ACTIVELY LISTENING, AND  
11 NOT JUST GETTING UP AND TALKING TO YOUR STAFF MEMBERS.

12 [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MISS ANDRUS. EXCUSE ME. THERE IS NO  
15 APPLAUSE. SIR? SIR? PLEASE. THERE IS NO APPLAUSE DURING THE  
16 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. THANK YOU. MISS ANDRUS.

17

18 **CARLA ANDRUS:** I'M NOT SURE IF MR. ANTONOVICH REALIZED THAT MR.  
19 KNABE AND RIDLEY-THOMAS HAD LEFT. YOU WERE OUT OF YOUR SEAT AS  
20 WELL. I BROUGHT UP SOME THINGS THAT I WISH YOU HAD BEEN IN THE  
21 ROOM, MR. KNABE, BECAUSE I THINK THIS IS SOMETHING THAT YOU  
22 WOULD WANT TO KNOW, AND AS I STARTED OFF MY STATEMENT ON THE  
23 FOG HORN PARCEL 22, AND I DON'T THINK I'M MISTAKEN ABOUT THIS,  
24 AND I KNOW, I DID BRING IT UP TO MR. KREIMANN AND HE SAID HE  
25 WAS GOING TO LOOK INTO IT, I DON'T KNOW, MAYBE HE'S ALREADY



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1 LOOKED INTO IT, OR YOU DON'T-- I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF YOU'RE  
2 AWARE OF THIS ISSUE, BUT THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY TOOK A PART OF  
3 THE FOG HORN AND HAS-- FOR ITS EXPANSION OF ITS OWN  
4 RESTAURANT, AND SO THE SQUARE FOOTAGE THAT THE BOARD WAS --  
5 YOUR LETTER TO THE BOARD SAYS THAT THERE WAS NO CHANGE IN  
6 SQUARE FOOTAGE. WELL, THAT'S NOT TRUE, AND THAT IS A CONCERN  
7 BECAUSE IT WOULD REQUIRE A LAND USE AMENDMENT AND IT WOULD  
8 REQUIRE THAT IT BE VETTED THROUGH THE PUBLIC PROCESS AND MY  
9 AWARENESS OF IT, AND I HAVE BEEN THROUGH THIS PUBLIC PROCESS,  
10 BELIEVE ME, I'VE HEARD NOTHING OF IT, NOT TO SAY THAT, YOU  
11 KNOW, YOU SEE EVERYTHING THAT, YOU KNOW, THAT GOES BY, BUT I'M  
12 PRETTY SURE I'M CORRECT ON THIS, AND I THINK YOU WOULD HAVE  
13 GREAT CONCERN BECAUSE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A LEASE EXTENSION  
14 WHEN REALLY WE SHOULD JUST ALLOW-- THIS IS 12 YEARS AWAY,  
15 THERE'S NO JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS LEASE EXTENSION. WE COULD  
16 ALLOW THIS PARCEL TO REVERT BACK TO THE COUNTY AND REALLY  
17 EXPAND MOTHER'S BEACH AND ITS POTENTIAL, WHICH I KNOW YOU'RE  
18 EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN. SO UNFORTUNATELY, YOU WEREN'T HERE  
19 AND I HOPE YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY ABOUT THAT OR SOME  
20 QUESTIONS TO RAISE.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ARE YOU FINISHED?

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24 **CARLA ANDRUS:** NOTHING?

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1   **SUP. KNABE:** I ALREADY ASKED MR. KREIMANN TO REPORT BACK ON  
2   THAT FROM YOUR COMMENTS.

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4   **CARLA ANDRUS:** BUT YOU PASSED IT, DIDN'T YOU?

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6   **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY.

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8   **CARLA ANDRUS:** AND SO YOU ASKED HIM? WHAT DID YOU ASK HIM? CAN  
9   WE KNOW? WHAT WERE YOUR CONCERNS?

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11   **SUP. KNABE:** THE SAME QUESTIONS YOU JUST ASKED ME, I ASKED HIM  
12   TO REPORT BACK ON WHAT YOU HAD INDICATED WAS THE ISSUE.

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14   **CARLA ANDRUS:** OH, AND HAS HE GOTTEN TO YOU? BUT YOU STILL  
15   PASSED IT WITHOUT THE ANSWERS. AND IF YOU FIND THAT THEY'VE  
16   DONE THIS, WHAT WILL BE YOUR POSITION THEN? THIS WOULD BE AN  
17   ILLEGAL ACTION. THEY WOULD HAVE TO COME BACK? THEY WOULD HAVE  
18   TO COME BACK. WELL, OKAY, THAT'S GOOD TO KNOW. THEN I DON'T  
19   FEEL LIKE, YOU KNOW-- I FEEL LIKE WE HAVE HAD PROCESS HERE AND  
20   I APPRECIATE YOUR RESPONSE DEEPLY, I DO, THANK YOU FOR THAT.

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22   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WE HAVE ARNOLD SACHS,  
23   FOLLOWED BY OSCAR JOHNSON, MARY ANN SEYMOUR, AND JIM DIMOV, IF  
24   THEY'D JOIN US. OSCAR JOHNSON? HOW ABOUT MISS SEYMOUR?

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1    **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU.

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3    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** PLEASE COME UP. YOU'RE GOING TO LOSE YOUR  
4    TURN IF YOU DON'T COME UP. MR. SACHS, PLEASE PROCEED.

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6    **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. RED LETTER DAY FOR  
7    YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, ANOTHER THANK YOU. AND I'M THANKING YOU  
8    FOR IMPROVING MY VOCABULARY, THIS MORNING'S DISCUSSIONS,  
9    REGARDING, I BELIEVE, THE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION. YOU USED  
10   THE TERM "RATIONALE," DISCUSSING THE RATIONALE OF SOMETHING,  
11   SO I THOUGHT I'D INCORPORATE THAT, THE RATIONALE OF METRO  
12   DECISIONS, AND I WAS THINKING, WITH THE FIVE SUPERVISORS, THE  
13   RATIONALE FOR DISAGREEING ABOUT THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDING ON  
14   THE MEASURE R INFORMATION PAMPHLET, YET THE LONG-RANGE-- THE  
15   DRAFT LONG-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN, 2008 LONG-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN,  
16   WHICH WAS NOT ADOPTED, PROBABLY COSTS ABOUT SEVEN TIMES MORE,  
17   BUT THERE WAS NO CONCERN ABOUT THE COST THERE. THE 2009 LONG-  
18   RANGE TRANSIT PLAN WAS PUT TOGETHER ON REGULAR MIMEOGRAPH  
19   PAPER, PROBABLY COSTS A TENTH OF WHAT THE MEASURE R FUNDING--  
20   MEASURE R PAMPHLET WAS. THE RATIONALE FOR REQUIRING THE GREEN  
21   LINE TO HAVE A CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY TO GO NORTH FROM  
22   AVIATION STATION TO CENTURY BOULEVARD WHERE IT CAN BE BUILT,  
23   YET NO CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY FOR THE CRENSHAW LINE TO GO  
24   SOUTH FROM CENTURY BOULEVARD TO THE AVIATION STATION. THE  
25   RATIONALE FOR DRILLING IN AN ABANDONED OIL FIELD AT 3RD AND



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1 FAIRFAX WITH NO TRANSIT PLAN GOING THROUGH THAT AREA, YET THE  
2 EXPANSION OF THE SUBWAY ALONG WILSHIRE BOULEVARD JUST  
3 COMPLETED FOR-80 DRILLING PROGRAM FOR SOIL NECESSITIES. THEN  
4 THE RATIONALE FOR COMPLAINING ABOUT BEING SHORTCHANGED OVER  
5 METRO'S SPENDING DOLLARS IN YOUR DISTRICT, YET DEFENDING THE  
6 BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY TO BUILD THE GOLD LINE  
7 EXTENSION. WHAT IS THE RATIONALE BEHIND THOSE DECISIONS?  
8 PLEASE. I KNOW. NOT ON THE AGENDA. MEASURE "R" DOESN'T REQUIRE  
9 US TO RESPOND TO ANYTHING NOT ON THE AGENDA. BUT IT'S PUBLIC  
10 MONEY YOU'RE SPENDING. IT'S PUBLIC MONEY THAT'S FINANCING  
11 THESE BOONDOGGLES. HOW ABOUT A LITTLE RATIONALE DEFENDING THE  
12 FACT THAT YOU ARE MAKING DECISIONS ENDORSING CORRUPTION. THANK  
13 YOU FOR YOUR TIME, ANSWERS AND ATTENTION.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. MR. JOHNSON. MR.  
16 JOHNSON?

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18 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** MY NAME IS OSCAR, I SPEAK FOR THE OPPRESSED, I  
19 SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND I SPEAK FOR CULTURE CHANGE.  
20 I'D LIKE TO THANK GOD FOR PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, THANK GOD  
21 FOR HIS WIFE, MISS MICHELLE OBAMA. WE SHOULD ALL GET TOGETHER  
22 AND WORK TOGETHER FOR PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, TRY TO FORM  
23 PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR POLITICIANS INSTEAD OF CRIME PARTNERS.  
24 IT'S TIME FOR AMERICA TO HAVE A RELIGION EDUCATION, A RELIGION  
25 THAT IS PURE. SURELY PURE RELIGION IS TO WORSHIP GOD ONLY. WE



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1 HAVE OUR HOLY BOOK, WE KNOW THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS THAT KNOW  
2 THE HOLY BOOK. UNITY FOR LEADERSHIP AND TRY TO BRING SALVATION  
3 TO ALL MANKIND BECAUSE SATAN IS AN ENEMY TO ALL MANKIND. THE  
4 LAST MENTION OF GOD SAID, SPREAD KINDNESS. GOD LOVES THOSE WHO  
5 ARE KIND. BUT ANYWAY, WE SHOULD END CORRUPTION IN GOVERNMENT,  
6 END ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION, PENALIZE THE BUSINESSES THAT HIRE  
7 ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS, PENALIZE BUSINESSES THAT HAVE OFF RECORD  
8 BUSINESS. WE SHOULD HAVE MORAL RESPONSIBILITY. WE NEED A  
9 MORALLY RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT, WE NEED MORAL RELATIONSHIPS,  
10 WE NEED MORAL OBLIGATIONS, WE NEED TO END IMMORAL CONDUCT FOR  
11 MORAL CONDUCT. WE SHOULD STRIVE TOGETHER FOR THE GOOD OF ALL  
12 PEOPLE. THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE STATES THAT-- THE  
13 DECLARATION STATES THAT THE FIRST PREMISE, THAT GOVERNMENT  
14 EXISTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PEOPLE, NOT JUST THE RULER. AND  
15 ALSO THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE STATES THAT-- STATES  
16 THAT-- THE DECLARATION FOR RIGHTS, THE RIGHT FOR LIFE INCLUDES  
17 THE RIGHT TO-- AND PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS, THE RIGHT TO OWN  
18 PROPERTY AND TO HAVE PROPERTY AND HAVE A SAFEGUARD, AND THE  
19 RIGHT TO STRIVE FOR THE GOOD OF ALL PEOPLE. WE NEED JOBS, WE  
20 NEED RESPONSIBILITY, WE SHOULD END CONSTRUCTION FRAUD, WE  
21 SHOULD END GOVERNMENT GREED. OUR CONSTITUTION SAYS THAT-- OUR  
22 CONSTITUTION IS THE FIRST LAW OF THE LAND. IT'S THE SECOND LAW  
23 OF THE LAND THAT GIVES US OUR RIGHTS. THE THIRD LAW IS OUR  
24 DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, AND WE ARE VERY FAR FROM-- WE ARE  
25 VERY FROM OUR LAWS. WE SHOULD HAVE A JUST GOVERNMENT, SHOULD



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1 HAVE A BETTER GOVERNMENT. WE SHOULD STRIVE FOR TRUTH AND  
2 JUSTICE FOR TOMORROW BECAUSE IF WE DON'T, TOMORROW WILL BE THE  
3 SAME DAY AS TODAY, HYPOCRISY, DECEIT AND BROKEN PROMISES. WE  
4 SHOULD TRY TO GET TOGETHER AND TRY TO UNITE AND TO HAVE A  
5 GOVERNMENT THAT WOULD SERVE ALL PEOPLE AND NOT JUST ELECT FEW.  
6 WE SHOULD CLEAN UP THE DRUGS ON SKID ROW. WE SHOULD CLOSE DOWN  
7 THE PARK ON GLADYS AND SKID ROW AND WE SHOULD CLOSE DOWN THE  
8 PARK ON FIFTH AND ST. JULIUS ON SKID ROW.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON. MISS SEYMOUR?

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12 **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** THANK YOU, MADAME SUPERVISOR. GOOD  
13 AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M MARY ANN SEYMOUR. I'M THE OWNER OF  
14 DISCOUNT COMPUTER SUPPLIES, A SMALL BUSINESS WITHIN LOS  
15 ANGELES COUNTY. I AM CURRENTLY A CONTRACT VENDOR FOR TONER  
16 CARTRIDGES, REMANUFACTURED TONER CARTRIDGES WITHIN THE LOS  
17 ANGELES COUNTY AND MY CONCERN IS IN LIGHT OF L.A. COUNTY'S  
18 CERTIFICATIONS OF LOCAL SMALL AND BUSINESSES ALSO COMMUNITY-  
19 BASED ENTERPRISES, THESE CERTIFICATIONS ARE NOT ACTUALLY BEING  
20 CONSIDERED ON A CURRENT R.F.P., WHICH IS A MULTI-MILLION-  
21 DOLLAR R.F.P. THAT IS OUT ON THE STREET RIGHT NOW. IT IS A  
22 COOPERATIVE PURCHASING. I'M NOT SURE IF ANY OF YOU ARE  
23 FAMILIAR WITH IT. IT IS ACTUALLY DUE ON THURSDAY. BEING THAT  
24 IT IS MULTIPLE -- IT'S A MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR CONTRACT, MY  
25 ALSO CONCERN IS NORMALLY HOW IT IS AS IT STATES NOW, THIS



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1 CONTRACT WILL DO AWAY WITH THE OTHER CONTRACTED ITEMS, WHICH  
2 BY-- IT WILL HURT SMALL BUSINESSES WITHIN THE COUNTY. AS MOST  
3 OF YOU ARE AWARE WITHIN LOS ANGELES TIMES IN THE LOCAL  
4 ECONOMISTS, ALSO STATE THAT IN ORDER FOR US TO RECOVER DURING  
5 THIS ECONOMIC DOWNTURN, THERE--

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** COULD I ASK YOU QUESTION AND YOU'RE GOING  
8 ON AND ON AND I'M NOT SO SURE. WHAT DEPARTMENT IS THAT?

9

10 **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** DEPARTMENT?

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU SAID IT'S A CONTRACT THAT WE'RE DOING?

13

14 **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** CORRECT. THERE'S A CONTRACT ON THE STREET  
15 FROM I.S.D., I.S.D., AND IT'S A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING  
16 AGREEMENT.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND YOU'RE SAYING THEY'RE NOT UTILIZING  
19 THE SMALL BUSINESS. HOW DO YOU KNOW THEY'RE NOT?

20

21 **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** IT WAS AT THE PREBIDDER'S CONFERENCE AND I  
22 ASKED THE QUESTION SPECIFICALLY. IT'S IN THE PAPERWORK AND THE  
23 R.F.P..

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THEY ARE MANDATED TO DO IT BY US.





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2 **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** I'M SORRY?

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK THEY'RE MANDATED TO DO IT BY US.

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6 **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT, BECAUSE AS FAR AS  
7 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES POLICY AND DOING BUSINESS WITH SMALL  
8 BUSINESS, ONE, IT SAYS TO EXPAND OPPORTUNITY FOR SMALL  
9 BUSINESS TO COMPETE ON OUR LOCAL BUSINESS AND ALSO FURTHER  
10 OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUSINESSES TO COMPETE REGARDLESS.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING TO ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO GET A  
13 CLARIFICATION AND REPORT BACK TO US NEXT WEEK ON THAT BECAUSE  
14 IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO DO  
15 SO AND SO I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY TOLD YOU THAT'S NOT GOING TO  
16 BE INCLUDED.

17

18 **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** WELL, IN THE R.F.P. ITSELF, IT IS STIPULATED  
19 THAT THE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED, THE LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS  
20 PREFERENCE AND THAT TYPE OF THING WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT'S THE FRAME OF THE R.F.P.?

23

24 **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** R.F.P. IS ACTUALLY DUE ON THURSDAY.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHEN WAS IT ISSUED?

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3    **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** THE PREBIDDER'S CONFERENCE ACTUALLY WAS WEEK  
4    BEFORE LAST.

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6    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE COULD HAVE A REPORT BACK. GLORIA'S RIGHT.  
7    WE HAVE AN AGGRESSIVE OUTREACH TO BRING IN THE SMALL  
8    BUSINESSES.

9

10   **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** CORRECT. BEING THAT THIS IS A COOPERATIVE  
11   PURCHASING PROGRAM, IT WILL DO AWAY -- RIGHT NOW CURRENTLY--

12

13   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL THE SMALL BUSINESS ONES.

14

15   **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** IT WILL AWAY WITH ALL THE SMALL BUSINESSES.

16

17   **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S COUNTER TO WHAT WE INTEND. WE'RE GOING TO  
18   ASK FOR A REPORT BACK. YOU SAID THE CLOSING OF THE BIDS WERE  
19   ON THURSDAY.

20

21   **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** THURSDAY AT NOON IS THE CLOSING. IS THE BID,  
22   IT'S DUE ON THURSDAY AT NOON.

23

24   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. AND MAYBE YOU CAN  
25   JOIN US NEXT TUESDAY AND WE'LL GET A REPORT BACK.



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2 **MARY ANN SEYMOUR:** ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU. I'LL BE HERE. THANK  
3 YOU.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MISS SEYMOUR. MR. DIMOV,  
6 FOLLOWED BY WALTER BECKTEL, GLORIA SALGADO. WAS MISS PANG NOT  
7 HERE, OR DID SHE ALREADY SPEAK? OH, SHE DID SPEAK. ELEAZAR  
8 WILTON? WITRON, I APOLOGIZE, AND EDWARD GUERRERO. MR. DIMOV?

9

10 **JIM DIMOV:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WISH YOU WOULD TAKE PART IN  
11 MY GREATEST PROBLEM I HAVE IN LOS ANGELES LIKE YOU DID TAKE  
12 PART OR RESPONDED TO THIS BEAUTIFUL LADY HERE. HIGH NAME IS  
13 JIM DIMOV, D-I-M-O-V, SPELL THE LAST NAME. MY PHONE NUMBER IS  
14 818-662-8771. MY ADDRESS IS POST OFFICE BOX 41771, LOS  
15 ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, 90041. THIS IS PROBABLY THE LAST TIME I'M  
16 GOING TO APPEAR BEFORE YOU AND I HOPE YOU READ MY PAPERWORK.  
17 SINCE 1988, MY TAXES HAVE BEEN RAISED 60 TIMES. YOU HEARD ME  
18 CORRECTLY. 60 TIMES, MY TAXES HAVE BEEN RAISED IN MY HOME, AND  
19 I HAD TWO PROPERTIES IN HOLLYWOOD, THE TAXES WERE RAISED SEVEN  
20 TIMES, AND I PAID ALL MY TAXES, WHICH WERE ILLEGAL, ACTUALLY,  
21 UP TO 1999 AND NOTHING HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED. I HAD TO GET A  
22 LOAN THROUGH A TITLE COMPANY AND I HAVE DOCUMENTS HERE,  
23 EXHIBIT F, IF YOU READ MY PAPERWORK, AND I HAD TO PAY ALL  
24 THESE TAXES, \$86,000 OVER AGAIN. 2003, I RECEIVED A NOTICE  
25 FROM A TAX COLLECTOR THAT I OWE THEM \$48,000 MORE. ALTOGETHER,



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1 I PAID \$230,000 TAXES WHICH WERE ILLEGAL AND I NEED THIS MONEY  
2 BACK TO BE RETURNED TO ME TODAY. PLEASE GIVE MY MONEY BACK.  
3 I'M A CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA AND I NEED TO  
4 APPEAR IN-- ON THE TELEVISION AND TO PRESENT MY AGENDA TO THE  
5 PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA, AND I HAVE GIVEN MY AGENDA TO YOU. FOUR  
6 TIMES, ACTUALLY. NOBODY RESPONDED AT ALL. THIS GENTLEMAN WHO  
7 SPOKE A LITTLE WHILE AGO HERE, HE SAYS WE NEED A MASTER PLAN.  
8 YOU DO NOT HAVE A MASTER PLAN. AND I HAVE MASTER PLAN.  
9 EVERYBODY IS GOING TO BE EMPLOYED. NO MORE IMMIGRATION  
10 PROBLEMS. ALL THE PROBLEMS ARE GOING TO BE SOLVED. NO MORE  
11 FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, NO MORE ENERGY PROBLEMS. BUT YOU DON'T PAY  
12 ATTENTION AT ALL. NOBODY EVER RESPONDED YOU'RE DYSFUNCTIONAL  
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND I'M VERY SAD TO TELL YOU THAT YOU  
14 MUST STEP DOWN, ALL OF YOU. YOU DON'T DESERVE TO BE IN THIS  
15 PLACE. WE HAVE 80,000 PEOPLE ON THE STREETS SLEEPING ON THE  
16 STREETS OF LOS ANGELES, 24,000 OF THEM ARE UNITED STATES  
17 VETERANS--

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. DIMOV. MR. BECKTEL?

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21 **JIM DIMOV:** I NEED THE MONEY TODAY.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU KNOW, SIR, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO THROW  
24 YOU OUT-- I KEEP ASKING YOU NOT TO APPLAUD AND YOU KEEP DOING



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1 SO. YOU KNOW WHO I'M TALKING TO. I'M POINTING RIGHT TO YOU.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **JIM DIMOV:** AM I GOING TO GET MY MONEY BACK TODAY?

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. BECKTEL. IF YOU DON'T BEGIN, YOUR TIME  
7 WILL START.

8

9 **WALTER BECKTEL:** MY NAME IS WALTER BECKTEL. I JUST WANTED TO  
10 COME BACK IN. I GAVE YOU GUYS A COPY OF THIS ARTICLE ABOUT  
11 TRASH BAGS THAT DISINTEGRATE. IT WAS DEVELOPED BACK IN 1977  
12 BESTPAK AND COMPANY FROM MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA. I HOPE YOU HAD A  
13 CHANCE TO READ IT. I NOTICED ON THE RADIO THEY'RE STARTING TO  
14 TALK ABOUT BAGS THAT DISINTEGRATE EVEN WHILE THEY'RE BURIED IN  
15 THE LANDFILLS. I HOPE THAT YOU PUSH FURTHER INTO THAT AREA. I  
16 THINK YOU'VE BEEN DECEIVED. I DON'T KNOW WHO IS IN BACK OF THE  
17 THINKING OF THE PLASTIC BAGS THAT WE USE, ONE-USE BAGS AT  
18 GROCERY STORES ARE PERMANENT KIND OF THINGS. I DON'T KNOW WHO  
19 IS IN BACK OF THAT, BUT I THINK THAT IT WAS ON K.N.X. THIS  
20 MORNING AND YESTERDAY, I THINK THAT KIND OF THING SHOULD  
21 EXPLORED FURTHER IF YOU REALLY ARE SERIOUS ABOUT NOT HAVING  
22 OUR LANDFILLS FILLED WITH THESE THINGS THAT DON'T-- THAT  
23 AREN'T BIODEGRADABLE. IT'S RIDICULOUS TO SAY THAT THAT KIND OF  
24 THING ISN'T AVAILABLE. IT HAS BEEN AVAILABLE WELL OVER 30  
25 YEARS. ALSO, I WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT A HORRIBLE



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1 SITUATION WE'VE BEEN SEEING HERE IN SOME OF THE DRUGSTORES AND  
2 LARGE GROCERY STORES THAT HAVE LARGE DRUGSTORE AREAS. THEY'RE  
3 STARTING TO-- I GUESS I USED A MISNOMER THERE OF DOUBLE  
4 DIPPING, BUT THEY'RE STARTING TO CHARGE TWICE FOR THINGS THAT  
5 THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY GIVING THEM ADVANTAGES ON WITH  
6 MEDICARE AND MEDI-CAL AND IF A PERSON GOES TO BUY PILLS, FOR  
7 EXAMPLE, IF YOU HAVE AN ARTHRITIC CONDITION LIKE I DO, THEY  
8 OFFER DISCOUNTS THAT ARE PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH  
9 THE VARIOUS INCENTIVE PROGRAMS THAT THE GOVERNMENT PROVIDES,  
10 AND IF YOU ARE ON MEDICARE AND MEDI-CAL, BUT NOW WHAT THESE  
11 DRUG STORES AND GROCERY STORES ARE STARTING TO DO IS THEY'RE  
12 REQUIRING YOU TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THEIR STORE BEFORE YOU CAN  
13 EXPERIENCE THESE DISCOUNTS. I DON'T THINK THAT'S LEGAL TO DO  
14 SO. YOU ALREADY ARE A MEMBER, PER SE, IF YOU HAVE PART D  
15 MEDICARE OR IF YOU'RE ON MEDI-CAL AND THAT SHOULD BE  
16 SUFFICIENT, BUT THEY WANT YOU TO ALSO BECOME A MEMBER OF  
17 THEIR-- THIS WELLNESS GROUP OR SOME PROGRAM THAT YOU HAVE TO  
18 BE A MEMBER OF, AND I THINK THAT THE SUPERVISORS SHOULD LOOK  
19 INTO THAT TO STOP THEM FROM DOING THAT SORT OF THING. I DON'T  
20 THINK THAT'S LEGAL. I DON'T WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS  
21 WELLNESS GROUP. I'M ALREADY ON MEDICARE AND MEDI-CAL PART D. I  
22 THINK THAT'S JUST WRONG FOR THEM TO REQUIRE SUCH A THING. I  
23 THINK THAT THEY SHOULD BE STOPPED FROM DOING THAT. THANK YOU.  
24



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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. EDWARD GUERRERO, IF HEED JOIN  
2    US, AS WELL AS BOBBY COOPER. MRS. SALGADO.

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4    **GLORIA SALGADO [VIA INTERPRETER]:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS  
5    GLORIA SALGADO.

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7    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE DO HAVE A TRANSLATOR THAT'S AVAILABLE  
8    TO YOU.

9

10    **INTERPRETER:** THAT'S FINE. FOR THE SAKE OF TIME.

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12    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (SPEAKING SPANISH) [SPEAKING SPANISH ]

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14    **GLORIA SALGADO [VIA INTERPRETER]:** I'M A SECURITY OFFICER AT  
15    COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. SECURITY OFFICERS ARE THE FIRST  
16    RESPONDERS WHO PROTECT COUNTY HOSPITALS, MEDICAL FACILITIES,  
17    COURTHOUSES AND SOCIAL SERVICE BUILDINGS. IT'S AN IMPORTANT  
18    JOB BECAUSE THE WORKERS AND THE PUBLIC DESERVE THE BEST  
19    SECURITY AND SAFETY. LAST WEEK, I READ IN "LA OPINION," THAT  
20    ONE OF YOUR OFFICERS SAID THAT THE COUNTY CHOOSES SECURITY  
21    COMPANIES AT THE LOWEST PRICE. IS THAT REALLY HOW YOU VIEW  
22    SECURITY? PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY SHOULD BE A TOP PRIORITY  
23    IN L.A. COUNTY. THE COUNTY MIGHT SAVE A LITTLE, BUT TAXPAYERS,  
24    SECURITY OFFICERS AND THE PUBLIC PAY THE COST. WHEN COUNTY  
25    SECURITY OFFICERS DO NOT HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE, WE USE





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1 EMERGENCY ROOMS AND PUBLIC PROGRAMS FOR HEALTHCARE. THAT COSTS  
2 TAXPAYERS ABOUT 2.6 MILLION EVERY YEAR. I'VE SEEN NEW SECURITY  
3 OFFICERS COME AND GO. THE COUNTY CAN'T KEEP THEM BECAUSE THEY  
4 LEAVE FOR BETTER JOBS AND THAT INCREASES TRAINING COSTS. RIGHT  
5 NOW, SECURITY OFFICERS ARE UNITING TO RAISE SECURITY STANDARDS  
6 BUT CONTRACTORS HAVE RESPONDED BY VIOLATING OUR CIVIL RIGHTS.  
7 WE HAVE BEEN INTIMIDATED AND SILENCED AND I HAVE FACED  
8 RETALIATION SIMPLY FOR TALKING TO MY CO-WORKERS ABOUT THE NEED  
9 TO IMPROVE OUR JOBS AND TO KEEP THE COUNTY SAFER. THIS IS WHY  
10 WE'RE ASKING YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT, HONORABLE BOARD OF  
11 SUPERVISORS. WE'RE HERE TODAY TO URGE YOU TO INSTRUCT YOUR  
12 CONTRACTORS TO GET SERIOUS WITH US AT THE BARGAINING TABLE AND  
13 TO STOP VIOLATING OUR RIGHTS. AND TO CALL UPON YOU SUPERVISORS  
14 TO GET SERIOUS ABOUT SECURITY AND TO PROVIDE THE RESOURCES WE  
15 BEST NEED TO SERVE THE COUNTY. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. WITRON.

18

19 **ELEAZAR WITRON [VIA INTERPRETER]:** HI, MY NAME IS ELEAZAR  
20 WITRON. I'M A COUNTY SECURITY OFFICER AND I'M HERE SPEAKING ON  
21 BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES WHO YOU SEE SEATED BEHIND ME. LAST  
22 WEEK, COUNTY NURSES FROM OUR SISTER LOCAL S.E.I.U. 721  
23 VOLUNTEERED TO GIVE COUNTY SECURITY OFFICERS FREE BASIC  
24 MEDICAL EXAMS. I APPRECIATE YOUR HELP BECAUSE HEALTHCARE IS  
25 SOMETHING SECURITY OFFICERS CAN'T AFFORD AND IT'S A BASIC



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1 RIGHT THAT OUR JOBS DON'T PROVIDE. I WORK IN DOWNEY WHERE I  
2 SEE BUILDINGS OF A VERY HIGH PRICE. WE'RE ARMED GUARDS AT MY  
3 FACILITY AND ON THE FOURTH OF JULY, I BECAME ILL AT WORK. THE  
4 MANAGER OF THE FACILITY WHERE I WORK, MY MANAGER SAW ME ILL  
5 AND HE CALLED THE PARAMEDICS. FROM WHERE I WORK, 9150  
6 IMPERIAL, TO THE KAISER FACILITY IS ACROSS THE STREET. THREE  
7 DAYS LATER, I RECEIVED MY BILL FROM THE AMBULANCE. THE BILL IS  
8 FOR \$1,046 FOR GOING ACROSS THE STREET. AND THE HOSPITAL  
9 CHARGED ME ON TOP OF THAT, \$238. YOU AS SUPERVISORS WHO HAVE  
10 DECISION-MAKING ABILITIES, WE ASK YOU TO HELP US RECEIVE  
11 AFFORDABLE MEDICAL CARE, NOT ONLY FOR OURSELVES, BUT FOR OUR  
12 CHILDREN AND OUR FAMILY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT, WE HAVE WINNIE TIN.  
15 PLEASE JOIN US. MR. GUERRERO.

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17 **EDWARD GUERRERO:** MAY I SPEAK NOW?

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES.

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21 **EDWARD GUERRERO:** MY NAME IS EDWARD GUERRERO, AND I WOULD LIKE  
22 TO REMIND YOU THAT WE DO NOT ALL LIVE IN IRAN. WE ALL WAIT  
23 HERE FOR THE GENTLEMAN'S TIME TO EXPIRE AND SOME OF US  
24 CLAPPED. IF WE DO SO, THIS IS A DEMOCRACY, WE HAVE THE RIGHT  
25 TO-- IT'S A CONSENSUS. WE HAVE A RIGHT TO APPLAUD THOSE WHO WE



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1 AGREE. YOU, THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, HAVE FAILED THIS  
2 COMMUNITY AND MANY OF YOU-- THIS IS THE LAST STOP FOR YOU.  
3 THERE IS NO FURTHER POLITICS FOR YOU BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT  
4 QUALIFIED. I HAVE COME HERE BEFORE YOU NUMEROUS TIMES FOR THE  
5 LAST NINE YEARS AND I'VE TOLD YOU ABOUT THE ABUSE OF LATINOS  
6 IN THE CITY OF BURBANK AND BLACKS. MORE SPECIFICALLY, I AM A  
7 MEXICAN-AMERICAN AND I HAVE BEEN SEXUALLY MOLESTED BY A POLICE  
8 OFFICER IN BURBANK. TO THIS DAY, HE HAS NOT BEEN-- HE HASN'T  
9 BEEN PROSECUTED. THIS JERK, WHAT'S HIS NAME? WHAT'S THE D.A.'S  
10 NAME? STEVE COOLEY. HE'S AFTER, WHAT, THIS GUY POLANSKI? HOW  
11 ABOUT WE GO AFTER THE COPS THAT ARE COMMITTING CRIMES? WHY  
12 DONE WE GO AFTER JUDGE TERRY SCHWARTZ FROM PASADENA WHO I  
13 DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY IS A CRIMINAL WHO HAS AIDED  
14 AND ABETTED IN A CRIME IN MALICIOUSLY PROSECUTED ME, HAD ME  
15 ARRESTED, PUT ME IN JAIL AND NOW I AM CONSIDERED A CONVICTED  
16 FELON? I'VE BEEN ILLEGALLY EVICTED FROM BURBANK, AND I'VE TOLD  
17 YOU BEFORE, MIKE, I'M NOT GOING TO TELL YOU AGAIN, BUD, I TOLD  
18 YOU ONCE BEFORE, YOU HEED MY WORDS CLEARLY, COPS WILL DIE! AND  
19 THEY ARE GETTING SHOT! THIS IS YOUR FAULT! THIS IS YOUR FAULT!  
20 BECAUSE YOU'RE THE SUPERVISOR OF THIS CITY AND ALL OF YOU  
21 TOGETHER HAVE DONE NOTHING. I AM A BLIND PERSON. I AM  
22 DISABLED. I'VE BEEN SEXUALLY MOLESTED, TAKEN FROM MY FAMILY,  
23 MY CHILDREN, AND YOU DON'T WANT ME TO RESPOND? YOU DON'T WANT  
24 ME TO BUY A GUN? YOU DON'T WANT ME TO ASK FOR VENGEANCE? I'M  
25 SORRY. I'M AN AMERICAN CITIZEN. I DEMAND IT. AND IF I DON'T



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1 GET JUSTICE, SO HELP ME GOD, YOU, ALL OF YOU HERE, SHALL KNOW  
2 AND YOU SHALL PAY! JUST AN OPINION. JUST AN OPINION. I COME  
3 FROM A HIGHER POWER AND I'LL TELL YOU THIS, I DON'T COMPLY BY  
4 THE LAW OF MAN. IT'S THE LAW OF GOD, AND GOD SAYS IT'S AN EYE  
5 FOR AN EYE! AND I WANT THAT EYE! I WAS MALICIOUSLY PROSECUTED.  
6 THE CITY OF BURBANK HAS AIDED AND ABETTED IN THESE CRIMES. THE  
7 POLICE DEPARTMENT TESTIFIED THAT I HAD THREATENED TO RAPE AND  
8 MURDER THE FAMILY OF POLICE OFFICER-- FORMER-- I THINK HE WAS  
9 A PARK RANGER, AND YOU GUYS PROSECUTED ME AND THEY COULDN'T  
10 EVEN PROVE IT IN COURT. DISTRICT ATTORNEY STEVE COOLEY, ALONG  
11 WITH ALLISON MATSUMOTO, THE CITY OF BURBANK, GLENDALE AND  
12 PASADENA, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, ALL OF YOU. IT IS YOUR  
13 RESPONSIBILITY, AND I TELL YOU, IT IS MY OPINION, IF YOU DO  
14 NOTHING--

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. GUERRERO. NEXT WE HAVE MR.  
17 BOBBY COOPER.

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19 **EDWARD GUERRERO:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS WINNIE TIN HERE OR NOT? IF SHE DOESN'T  
22 COME UP, YOU WON'T GET A CHANCE TO SPEAK. MR. COOPER.

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24 **BOBBY COOPER:** WHO? ME?

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, SIR.

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3    **BOBBY COOPER:** YEAH. YOU KNOW ME, MR. COOPER. LISTEN. I WAS  
4    HERE, BEEN COMING HERE FOR A YEAR NOW. THEY JUST STOLEN \$1  
5    MILLION INSURANCE POLICY, TOOK IT FROM THE POST OFFICE. YOUR  
6    MANAGERS WERE OUTSTANDING, BUT \_\_\_\_\_ APARTMENT MANAGER GAVE  
7    THEM THE KEY TO THE MAILBOX AND MY APARTMENT. THEY WERE COMING  
8    THERE, TAKING POLICY. ONE POLICY THEY TOOK WAS FOR A MILLION  
9    DOLLARS. THE OTHER THREE WERE THREE OF THEM FOR 30,000, WHICH  
10   IS 90,000 PLUS, OTHER PAPERS THAT THEY HAD REMOVED, THE MAN  
11   WATCHING ME NEXT DOOR, HE DEAD. THEY HAD A BLUE TAG ON HIS  
12   DOOR, FOR A CORONER'S INVESTIGATION. THEY SHOULD HAVE TOLD HIM  
13   THE CORONER'S INVESTIGATION IS NO GOOD. I GOT ONE THAT SAYS MY  
14   BROTHER FELL DOWN WHEN HE DIED AND TWO BURBANK POLICE OFFICERS  
15   BEAT HIM TO DEATH. THIS IS MY APARTMENT HERE. MY APARTMENT'S  
16   GOT SURVEILLANCE IN THE SMOKE ALARMS, YOU KNOW. TWO-WAY MIRROR  
17   IN MY APARTMENT WHERE THEY SEE WHAT I'M DOING. THIS ONE RIGHT  
18   HERE, THEY COULDN'T PUT BACK TOGETHER BECAUSE I GOT HOME TOO  
19   QUICK. THESE ARE SECURITY GUARD REPORTS THAT ARE LEGITIMATE.  
20   THIS IS HAPPENING. I DON'T HAVE TO COME-- THIS IS HAPPENING IN  
21   YOUR DISTRICT, MS. MOLINA. YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT I'M SAYING?  
22   EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENING IS HAPPENING IN YOUR DISTRICT. I  
23   CALL THE POLICE, THE POLICE DON'T ANSWER. THEY COME OVER AND  
24   SAY, "WELL, WE'RE CENTRAL GOING OVER TO RAMPART." RAMPART  
25   DON'T COME OVER HERE BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO BE



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1 PHOTOGRAPHED. I DON'T NEED THIS. I DON'T NEED DISCRIMINATION  
2 OF ANY TYPE. THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE AMERICA. EQUAL AND FAIR  
3 HOUSING. I'VE BEEN THROWN OUT OF FIVE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS  
4 BECAUSE OF MEXICAN PEOPLE, AND THESE ARE THE MANAGERS,  
5 PROPERTY OWNERS. DON'T GET ME WRONG, NOW YOU GOT A BUNCH OF  
6 BLACK PEOPLE AND NIGERIANS INVOLVED IN THIS FRAUD. YOU'VE GOT  
7 OVER A HALF MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH OF INSURANCE POLICY. TWO OR  
8 THREE OF THESE INSURANCE POLICIES, LARRY PARKER IS IN CONTROL  
9 OF, AND ATTORNEY PETER WISENER, ATTORNEY PETER REISMAN, AND  
10 ATTORNEY PARKER STANBURY, ATTORNEY MARYANNE FOSSY INVOLVED IN  
11 LITIGATION UP IN DETROIT. I DON'T HAVE TO COME DOWN HERE EVERY  
12 DAY MAKING ALLEGATIONS. THESE ALLEGATIONS WITH MERIT. THE  
13 PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THIS THAT YOU SENT TO HELP ME, HAVEN'T BEEN  
14 ANYTHING IN YEARS. MARY ANNE, WHAT IS THAT? ADRIEN CARSON  
15 HEMMETT, YOLANDA WAGNER. BILLY LEE HUNG UP IN MY FACE. HE'S  
16 SUPPOSED TO BE ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES. HE HUNG UP IN MY  
17 FACE. AND WHAT IS THAT, BOSTON? ASSISTANT DIVISION CHIEF, NO  
18 ACTION. OH, THIS GUY, CHRISTOPHER, WHATEVER HIS NAME IS,  
19 CHRISTOPHER SHABOHI, A FOREIGNER THAT YOU HIRED, OH, WE WENT  
20 HE WENT ON A LONDON VACATION WITH HIS MONEY. HE DON'T EVEN  
21 TALK NO MORE. YEAH. HE COMES BY TO CHECK ON ME. I KNOW THAT'S  
22 ALL THE TIME I GOT. I NEED SOME HELP OUT HERE, PEOPLE. YOU  
23 KNOW?

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25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME IS UP. MISS TIN.



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2 **BOBBY COOPER:** YEAH, I KNOW. ALL YOU ALL ON THE TAKE, I  
3 BELIEVE. I HAVE A RIGHT TO LIVE IN THIS COUNTRY.

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5 **WINNIE TIN:** YES, TIN. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
6 WINNIE TIN. EVER SINCE LAST TIME I HAD MY SON'S CASE WITH  
7 D.C.F.S. MISS BARBARA IS HELPING ME A LITTLE BIT AND THE CASE  
8 IS BEING TRANSFERRED TO A DIFFERENT UNIT IN D.C.F.S., BUT,  
9 HOWEVER, THE SOCIAL WORKER WAS MISINFORMED AND SHE SAID THAT  
10 THE ADOPTION IS GOING TO BE CONTINUED. I'VE BEEN TOLD TO  
11 \_\_\_\_\_ MS. BARBARA PRIOR TO THIS MEETING AGAIN. I SAID,  
12 "HERE'S THE EMAIL FROM THE SOCIAL WORKER AND THE INVESTIGATION  
13 HAS NOT BEEN CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND  
14 CHILDREN SOCIAL SERVICES. I NEED A SUPERVISOR HELP ME LOOK  
15 INTO THIS CASE TO MAYBE FORM A SPECIAL INVESTIGATION TEAM ON  
16 THIS CASE TO FOLLOW UP, AND, YOU KNOW, IN ADDITION TO THAT, I  
17 HAVE ALL THE DOCUMENTATION HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR SUPERVISORS'  
18 REVIEW. MY PHONE HAS BEEN TAPPED FOR SIX YEARS. I'VE BEEN  
19 F.B.I., I'VE BEEN ARCADIA POLICE DEPARTMENT. NOBODY DO  
20 ANYTHING. ARCADIA POLICE DEPARTMENT, EVEN THOUGH HAS WRITTEN  
21 TO ME ON A PIECE OF PAPER THAT THEY DO NOT WANT TO DOCUMENT,  
22 WHATEVER SEES I WANT TO REPORT. THINGS, JACK HERSHEY TAPPING  
23 MY PHONE, HE CONTACTED MY CUSTOMER, HE CONTACT MY BROKER WHO I  
24 WORK WITH, HE CONTACTED MY EMPLOYEE, CONTACTED MY  
25 PSYCHOLOGIST. BASICALLY I DON'T HAVE A NORMAL LIFE. I AM NOT





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1 FREE TO LIVE IN AMERICA. THERE'S ANOTHER QUESTION. SEEMS  
2 JOSHUA WAS ACCOSTED BY SOMEBODY, AND I HAVE THE-- FILED A  
3 REPORT TO L.A. HOLLYWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT. IT'S BEEN FOR SIX  
4 YEARS. THE RAPE CASE HAS NOT BEEN FORMALLY INVESTIGATED. WHO  
5 CALLED THE RAPE CASE OFF? I DON'T KNOW. I'VE BEEN IN THE  
6 D.A.'S OFFICE FIVE OR SIX TIMES ALREADY. I'VE BEEN WITH THE  
7 HOLLYWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT FIVE OR SIX TIMES. SO THERE'S  
8 NOTHING GOING ANY FURTHER. IN ADDITION TO THAT, THIS TOWN IS  
9 ALREADY COMING TO THIS WORLD. WHO SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE? IS IT  
10 ONLY MY RESPONSIBILITY? I'M WILLING TO TAKE MY RESPONSIBILITY,  
11 BUT I DO WANT A SUPERVISOR HELP ME THAT STOP WIRE TAPPING MY  
12 PHONES, STOP ALL OF THE ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES BECAUSE THIS IS  
13 AMERICA. NOBODY SHOULD ABOVE THE LAW. I HUMBL Y ASK SUPERVISORS  
14 TO INVESTIGATE ON THIS CASE. ALL OF THE DOCUMENTATION HAS BEEN  
15 PREPARED. THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE SOMEBODY THAT FROM  
18 CHILDREN'S SERVICES HERE THAT MAY BE ABLE TO HELP YOU, RIGHT  
19 OVER HERE.

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21 **WINNIE TIN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. THAT CONCLUDES ALL PUBLIC COMMENT.  
24 I'LL HAVE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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1    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
2    NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
3    CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER C.S.-1 AND  
4    C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING  
5    LITIGATION AND ITEM NUMBER C.S.- 3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL  
6    COUNSEL REGARDING EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AS  
7    INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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1        **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON JULY 13, 2010**

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5        CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL    EXISTING LITIGATION  
6        (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9).    County  
7        of Los Angeles v. Southern California Regional Rail Authority,  
8        Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 393817.

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10       This case arises from the January 26, 2005 Metrolink  
11       derailment near Glendale. (10-1625)

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13       Action Taken:    The Board authorized settlement of the lawsuit  
14       titled County of Los Angeles v. Southern California Regional  
15       Rail Authority.    The substance of the settlement will be  
16       disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement  
17       becomes final following approval by all parties.

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19       The vote of the Board was unanimous with Supervisor Ridley-  
20       Thomas being absent.

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22       CS-2.    CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION  
23       (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Antelope  
24       Valley Groundwater Basin Adjudication v. Los Angeles County



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1 Waterworks Districts Nos. 37 and 40, Los Angeles Superior  
2 Court Case No. 0-05-CV-049053.

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4 This litigation seeks a judicial determination of all rights  
5 to pump ground water from the Antelope Valley Groundwater  
6 Basin. (10-1627)

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8 Action Taken: The Board authorized settlement of the lawsuit  
9 titled Antelope Valley Groundwater Basin Adjudication v. Los  
10 Angeles County Waterworks Districts Nos. 37 and 40. The  
11 substance of the settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by  
12 any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following  
13 approval by all parties.

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15 The vote of the Board was unanimous with Supervisor Ridley-  
16 Thomas being absent.

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18 CS-3. No reportable action was taken.

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3 hereby certify:

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8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived  
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to  
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by  
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
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